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MONOGRAPH OF THE GALL-MAKING CYNIPIDÆ  
(CYNIPINÆ) OF CALIFORNIA.

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INTRODUCTION.

All the gall-making species of the hymenopterous family Cynipidæ are included in the natural group or division Cynipinæ. Other members of the family, which is well represented in California, are parasitic on dipterous, coleopterous, and wood-boring hymenopterous larvae.\* The gall-making species have been collected and studied by a number of American students, including Osten-Sacken, Bassett, Ashmead, Gillette and others, but previously no thorough systematic collecting of the galls or flies has ever been attempted to the writer's knowledge, and the descriptions of the California species are scattered through the various entomological periodicals of the past thirty-five or forty years.

In 1906, Miss Rose W. Patterson, (now Mrs. C. B. Blakeman), a student of entomology in Stanford University, under the direction of Professor Kellogg, began a systematic collection of the galls occurring in the vicinity of Stanford University and of San Jose, California, which extended through several years, the range of her collecting being widened on several occasions by excursions into the northern part of the state. To these collections there were added the contributions of students and other interested persons from different sections. Specimens bred from this material were carefully labelled and preserved by Miss Patterson with voluminous notes, but her removal from the university prevented the completion of the work of identification and description, and the whole collection, was recently turned over to the writer to be worked up. The

\* They are also recorded from Hemerobius and Aphidæ.

Stanford collection, which includes eighteen undescribed species, forms the basis of the present work, in which is attempted to bring together in monographic form all the Californian species. The table for genera and generic definitions have been adapted from Dalla Torre and Kieffer's monographs, from which much of the nomenclatorial data has also been derived. The author is greatly indebted to Professor Kellogg, under whose direction the work was performed, and to Mr. William A. Beutenmüller and Professor C. P. Gillette, who have compared specimens of doubtful identity with types in their possession, for helpful suggestions and advice during the progress of the work.

### Fam. CYNIPIDÆ.

#### Subfam. CYNIPINÆ.

Cynipides, Psenides, Inquilinae. T. Hartig, Zeits. f. Ent., vol. 2 (1890), p. 187, 197.

Cyniphoideæ. A. Forster, Verh. Zool. Ges. Wien, vol. 19 (1869), p. 329, no. 2.

Cynipina. C. G. Thomson, Opusc. Ent., vol. 8 (1877), p. 778.

Cynipinae, Inquilinae. Ashmead, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 13 (1886), p. 60.

Cynipinae. Dalla Torre, Cat. Hymen., vol. 2 (1893), p. 37.

Body rugose, shagreened or punctate, rarely entirely smooth. Scutellum without cups, sometimes with deep impression on disc but not cup-shaped. Wings usually with three more or less complete cubital cells, cubitus arising in the middle of the basal vein (in one species wanting altogether). Arcolet closer to base of radial cell than middle. Second segment of posterior tarsi without spine. Four first abdominal tergites of unequal size, second nearly always at least half as long as abdomen. Sternites ordinarily more or less visible. Hypopygium usually terminating in a point, ventral valve at least as long as broad, sometimes plowshare-shaped. Phytophagous species, living in galls.

#### KEY TO GENERA.

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| 1 | Wings more or less foreshortened, not reaching beyond the middle of the abdomen.....   | 2  |
|   | Wings normally developed.....  | 3  |
| 2 | Thorax covered with a dense pubescence, flat, closely punctate; mesonotum glabrous in the middle; antennae 12-segmented. Galls on <i>Quercus</i> ....  |    |
|   | Thorax only sparsely pubescent, evenly rugose or wrinkled; antennae 13-14 segmented. Galls on <i>Quercus</i> .....   | 1  |
| 3 | 1st abdominal segment longitudinally striate, 2d and 3rd segments connate; face radiately striate; ventral valve short. Inquilines in galls on <i>Quercus</i> .....  | 9  |
|   | 1st abdominal segment smooth.....  | 4  |
| 4 | Face with two parallel ridges from insertion of antennae to clypeus; antennae ♀ 12-14 segmented, ♂ 14-15 segmented; scutellum with basal foveæ; radial cell closed. Inquilines in galls on <i>Quercus</i> .... | 10 |
|   | Face without such ridges.....  | 5  |

5 *Trichoteras* Ashm.

1 *Biorhiza* Westw.

9 *Synergus* Hartig

10 *Ceroptres* Hartig





**Biorhiza californica** (Beutenm.)

*Philonix californica*, Beutenmüller, Ent. News, vol. 22 (1911), p. 69.

"Female. Head pitchy brown black, minutely rugose with scattered, short hairs. Antennæ 13-jointed; first joint stout, cylindrical; second joint shorter, stout and rounded at the tip; third joint very long and slender; fourth, fifth and sixth joints slender and shorter than the third; remaining joints gradually becoming shorter and thicker toward the thirteenth, all pitchy brown and pubescent. Thorax pitchy brown or dull rufous, evenly rugose, somewhat wrinkled and with a few scattered hairs. Parapsidal grooves very fine and somewhat lost in the rough surface anteriorly, convergent at the scutellum. Scutellum evenly rugose like the thorax, and of the same color. Abdomen compressed, convex at the sides and rather sharply keeled on the dorsum and venter, dark pitchy brown, smooth and shining. Legs pitchy brown, somewhat paler than the abdomen and pubescent. Wings aborted, not extending to the middle of the abdomen. Length 1 mm.

"Gall. On the upper surface of the leaves of a species of white oak, *Monothalamous*. Rounded, flattened disc-like, becoming slightly elevated toward the middle. The sides are flat and very thin, and the gall rests closely on the leaf. The larva lives in the center of the elevated part. The color is pinkish or purplish, with the apex sometimes yellowish. Width, 3 to 4 mm. Height, 1 mm.

"Habitat. Kern Co., California, January."

(Wm. Beutenmüller.)

I have not seen specimens; the type is in the National Museum.

**2 NEUROTERUS** Hartig.

*Cynips* (part.), Linne, Syst. Nat. ed. 10 (1758), p. 343, 553.

*Neuroterus*, Spathegaster, Hartig, Zeits. f. Ent., vol. 2 (1840), p. 185, 192, 186, 194.

*Ameristus*, A. Forster, Verh. Zool. Ges. Wien, vol. 19 Abh. (1869), p. 330, 333.

*Dolichostrophus*, Ashmead, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 14 (1887), p. 129 note.

Head, thorax and scutellum smooth or microscopically reticulate and shining. Parapsidal grooves wanting or very indistinct. Mesonotum not separated from scutellum by a suture, posterior margin with an arcuate recess or indentation, a broad transverse groove at base of scutellum. Antennæ of female 13-14 segmented, of male 14-15 segmented. Abdomen large and subpetiolate in female, small and with a long petiole in male. Wings of male very long, usually shorter in female. Radial cell nearly always open and very long. In galls on *Quercus*.

**Neuroterus quercus-batatus** (Fitch).

*Cynips quercus-batatus*, A. Fitch, 5th Rep. Ins. N. York (1839), p. 30.

*Neuroterus batatus*, G. Mayr, Gen. Gallenb. Cynip. (1881), p. 37.

*Neuroterus quercus-batatus*, Dalla Torre & Kieffer, Das Tierreich, Ed. 24 Cynipidæ (1910), p. 334.

Female. Black, shining, mouth-parts, base of antennæ, legs beyond tibiae and at joints above, tegulae, pedicel and ovipositor brownish. Head faintly rugose, face pubescent, antennæ 13-segmented

fuscous to black, except three first segments, which are brown, only slightly pubescent, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 2nd the same width throughout, 3rd segment longest, not as 1 and 2 together, 3rd and 4th very slender, becoming thicker and shorter outwardly to 7th, 8-12 subequal, last only a little longer than penultimate. Thorax microscopically reticulate, mesonotum without parapsidal grooves but with two rather large basal depressions separated by a median ridge, scutellum without basal foveæ, smooth, sparsely pubescent, sculpturing on mesonotum and scutellum excessively fine, on pleura and prothorax somewhat coarse. Abdomen smooth, shining, much compressed, about as broad as long, ovipositor exerted. Wings hyaline, pubescent, subcostal, radial, basal and cross-veins distinct, black, radial cell long, open, vein at base angulate, areolet distinct but small, cubitus indistinctly reaching basal. Length 1.75 mm.

Male. Microscopically reticulate or rugose, rather shiny. Head black, ocelli, mouth and antennæ at base brown, the latter 14-segmented, fuscous to black from 4th segment outwardly, 3rd a little longer than 1 and 2 together and excised at distal end, 4th about two-thirds of 3rd and subequal with 5th, following segments a little smaller and subequal except 13th, all somewhat pubescent. Prosternum blackish, pronotum narrow in the middle, at sides yellowish brown, reticulate and shining, the color extending up on to the scapulae, mesothorax and scutellum smooth, shining, microscopically sculptured, the latter fuscous yellowish brown, mesopleura fuscous brown, coarsely sculptured, shining, metathorax sordid white, slightly rugose. Abdomen long petiolate, smooth, shining, at base sordid white to yellowish white, otherwise black, much compressed apically and pubescent at tip. Legs very pale yellowish, tips of tarsi black. Wings extending beyond abdomen more than its length, hyaline, pubescent, radial cell long and open, vein at base arcuate, cubital vein reaching basal, areolet distinct and large. Length 2 mm.

Gall. Early summer galls on under side of leaf of *Quercus douglasi*, a flat, irregular swelling, distorting the leaf, polythalamous, 8 mm. by 5 mm., and a sordid brown color. Late summer galls, from which adult flies emerge the following spring, small hard woody swelling in terminal twigs of *Q. lobata*, containing numerous long, oval larval cells imbedded in soft spongy interior of gall.

Habitat. Stevens Creek, beyond Cupertino, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.) San Jose, Cal. (Rose Patterson.)

#### **Neuroterus saltatorius (Riley).**

*Cynips saltatorius* (Hy. Edwards in MS). C. V. Riley, Tr. Ac. St. Louis, vol. 3 (1876), p. 213.

*Neuroterus saltatorius*, Ashmead, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 14 (1887), p. 128.

Female. Black, smooth and polished, legs at joints sordid white. Head microscopically reticulate, antennæ 13-segmented, filiform, slightly incrassate towards tip, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 3rd longest, about twice as long as 2 or 4 but not as long as 1 and 2 together, succeeding segments subequal, the three last a trifle longer than preceding ones. Thorax smooth and flat, faintly sculptured, with two large depressions

posteriorly on either side of median line, which is ridged, scutellum rugose. Abdomen as broad as long, much compressed, ovipositor exerted. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins blackish, radial cell long,  $\sigma$  vein at base slightly angulate, areolet present but two of the enclosing veins indistinct, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 1.5 mm.

Gall. Small, subglobular, 1.25-1.50 mm., pale reddish brown, with a small nipple at either pole; slightly sculptured.

Habitat. Stockton, Cal. (Hughes Ranch.)

### 3 DIPLOLEPIS L. Geoffr.

Cynips (part.), Linne, Syst. Nat. ed. 10 (1758), p. 343, 553.

Diplolepis (part.), L. Geoffroy, Hist. Ins., vol. 2 (1762), p. 309.

Dryophanta, A. Forster, Verh. Zool. Ges. Wien, vol. 19 Abh. (1869), p. 331, 334, 335.

Checks not more than half the length of the eye. Parapsidal grooves percurrent. Scutellum without foveæ, an arcuate transverse groove at base, rarely interrupted in the middle. Metanotal ridges curved. Radial cell open at the margin. Tarsal claws usually bidentate. Abdomen longer than vertically broad, 2nd tergite produced caudally linguiform. Head and thorax in agamous generation densely pubescent, antennæ 13-segmented and clothed with long, erect hairs. Body in sexual generation for the most part glabrous, antennæ of female 14-segmented, without long erect hairs, of male 15-segmented. Mesonotum smooth and shining. Abdomen in male petiolate. In galls on *Quercus*.

#### Diplolepis discus (Bass.)

Dryophanta discus, H. F. Bassett, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 26 (1900), p. 325.

Diplolepis discus, Dalla Torre and Kieffer, Das Tierreich, lief. 24 Cynipide (1910), p. 362.

"Head black. Antennæ thirteen jointed, joints one and two rather large, subequal, third long, fourth two-thirds as long as the third, remainder gradually shorter, all yellowish red. Thorax smooth, shining, with a few scattered hairs and deep parapsidal grooves. Scutellum slightly rugose. Foveæ not distinct. Abdomen dark, shining brown. Legs dark brown. Wings rather large; veins very pale, almost colorless. Areolet wanting. Cubitus nearly obsolete. Radial area open. Body .06, antennæ .05, wings .07.

"Galls. Among the galls sent me several years ago by Mrs. E. H. King, from Napa City, California, were a few specimens from which no insects appeared, but from which I removed three dead but perfectly developed individuals. The galls were circular, flat, sessile discs growing in clusters on the under sides of the leaves of some species of oak, closely resembling *Q. alba*; but I am not sure this oak grows in that section. The galls are hardly one-eighth of an inch in diameter, and except in size and color might be taken for what is, I think, called the 'blue spangle gall,' not uncommon on the white oak in the Atlantic States. It is smaller and lacks the blue color." (H. F. Bassett).

I have not seen examples of this species.

**Diplolepis clavula** (Beutenm.)

*Dryopianta clavula*, Beutenmüller, Ent. News, vol. 22 (1911), p. 67.

Female. Reddish brown, eyes, ocelli, mandibles, oral margin, clypeus, a broad median stripe from occipital margin to the mouth (black beneath ocelli), antennæ, prosternum, pronotum above and below, dorsal and subdorsal vittæ on mesonotum concurrent with median longitudinal lines and smooth lines over base of wings, mesopleura, base of scutellum and a median spot, metanotum and abdomen wholly black. Head reticulately rugose, face pubescent, antennæ 14-segmented, 1st segment stout, clavate, 2nd oval, 3rd long but not as long as 1 and 2 together, 4th as long as 3, succeeding segments to 9th progressively shorter, 9th and following segments subequal except the last, which is longer than penultimate by one-half, all rather pubescent. Pronotum narrow in the middle, rugoso-punctate, pubescent, mesonotum faintly rugose and deeply punctate, each puncture with a pale brown hair, parapsidal grooves distinct, reaching anterior margin, median longitudinal lines extending half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings rather short, mesopleura smooth, shining black, densely pubescent, a triangular area beneath wings aciculate, scutellum rugose, pubescent, foveæ indistinct, a transverse arcuate groove at base with median carina, metanotum somewhat punctate, pubescent. Abdomen smooth, shining, somewhat compressed, the second tergite produced caudally acutely to a point, the posterior margin oblique, pubescent at base, 3rd tergite fairly wide, others concealed beneath, ovipositor sheath expanded at tip, with an apical tuft of hairs, ovipositor exerted. Legs fuscous brown and pubescent. Wings hyaline, quite pubescent, veins distinct, radial cell long, open at the margin, vein at base angulate and clouded with brown, areolet moderate, cubitus nearly reaching basal vein, radius incassate at the tip, cubital cell with a large brown cloud at base and numerous spots at apex, a brownish cloud beneath 2nd cross vein, one at break in anal cell, and another at base of cubitus. Length 2 mm.

Gall. Small gourd or trumpet-shaped galls on the leaves of *Quercus lobata*, oval or subglobular outwardly, with long neck which is somewhat expanded at point of attachment. The gall is 7 mm. long, 2 mm. wide, the neck narrowing to less than 1 mm.; the walls quite thin, the large oval larval chamber lying directly beneath. It has a reddish appearance and is faintly rugose from minute crystalline bodies lying on the surface. It is also often covered with a grayish brown tomentum.

Habitat. Palo Alto, Cal. (Miss Bertha Wiltz.) Napa and Sonoma Counties, California (Beutenmüller).

**Diplolepis echina** (O.-S.)

*Cynips echinus*, Osten-Sacken, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 3 (1870), p. 56.

*Dryophanta echina*, Beutenmüller, in litt.

*Dryophanta speciosa*, Beutenmüller, in litt.

Female. Reddish brown, eyes, ocelli, tips of mandibles, oral margin, antennæ distally from 2nd segment, dorsal and lateral vittæ on mesonotum concurrent with median pair of lines and lines over base of wings, and abdomen dorsally black or blackish. Head faintly rugose,

antennae 14-segmented, filiform, outer third slightly thicker, 1st segment stout, obconic, 2nd subglobular, 3rd longest, nearly as long as 1 and 2 together, 4th and succeeding segments to 9th progressively shorter, 9-14 subequal, less than one-half as long as 3rd, all sparsely covered with appressed grayish hairs. Thorax faintly rugose and sparsely, in some parts rather thickly covered with appressed yellowish gray pubescence, pronotum narrow in the middle, parapsidal grooves on mesonotum distinctly percurrent, median longitudinal lines reaching half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings distinct and long, scutellum without distinct foveae, a rather narrow, arcuate transverse groove with smooth shining bottom at base. Abdomen smooth, shining, second tergite produced caudally linguiform almost to apex, pubescent at base, dorsal valve and sheath of ovipositor prominent, the latter with apical tuft of yellowish brown hair. Legs rather stout and clothed with a grayish pubescence. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins brownish, distinct, radial cell open at the margin, vein at base only slightly bent, radius incrassate at tip just before costal margin, areolet distinct, cubitus nearly or quite reaching basal vein, a small brownish cloud near base of cubital cell, another beneath areolet, and still another at the break in anal vein. Length 2.5-3 mm.

Gall. Moderately large, reddish, echinus-shaped galls attached to the leaves of *Quercus douglasii*. Numerous pointed processes project from the more or less globular body of the gall, giving it the characteristic echinus appearance. The gall is composed of a crystalline substance said to be hardened gallic acid. Monothalamous. About 12 mm. in diameter.

Habitat. St. Helena, Cal. (Miss Julia Begley). Placer County, California (Osten-Sacken).

#### *Diplolepis douglasii* (Ashm.)

*Holcaspis douglasii*, Ashmead, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 19 (1896), p. 127.  
*Holcaspis douglasii*, Dalla Torre & Kieffer, Gen. Ins. Hymen. Fam. Cynip. (1902), p. 53.

*Dryophanta douglasii*, G. Mayr, Verh. Zool. Ges. Wien, vol. 52 (1902), p. 200.

*Diplolepis douglasii*, Dalla Torre and Kieffer, Das Tierreich, lief. 24 (Cynipidae (1910), p. 369.

Female. Very similar to *D. echina*, from which it can scarcely be separated except on the character of the gall. In specimens before me I notice the following minor differences: antennae black distally from 6th segment instead of from 2nd; abdomen black on dorsum only posteriorly; areolet rather indistinct and only the cloud near base of cubital cell present.

Gall. Pink, star-shaped galls occurring on leaves of *Quercus lobata*, composed of a crystalline substance similar to the material forming the gall of *D. echina*, and covered with a pale bloom which imparts a lilac shade to the whole body. The gall is 8 mm. high and 10 mm. in diameter, the pedestal widening rapidly to the dorsal rim, which bears about eight irregular pointed projections forming the star. Monothalamous. Hollow within, the oval larval chamber partly attached.

Habitat. San Jose, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.) Marin County, California (Beutenmüller).

**Diplolepis dubiosa** n. sp.

Female. Black, the antennæ, legs, tips of mandibles, tegulæ, post-scutellum and sheath of ovipositor luteous. Head faintly rugose and covered with closely appressed whitish hairs, antennæ 14-segmented, filiform, outer third slightly incrassate, 1st segment stout, obconic, 2nd suboval, 3rd longest, 4th and succeeding segments to 9th progressively shorter, 9th and following segments subequal, except the last, which is somewhat longer than penultimate. Pronotum narrow medially, mesonotum faintly reticulate, shining, parapsidal grooves distinct, reaching anterior margin, scutellum deeply rugose, foveæ distinct, large and broad, contiguous, separated only by a carina. Abdomen about as large as head and thorax together, smooth, shining, 2nd tergite produced caudally almost to apex, slightly pubescent laterally near the middle, spine of ventral valve moderate, pubescent. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins pale brown to black, radial cell long, narrow, open at the margin, vein at base only slightly bent, areolet distinct but the enclosing nervures (except distal one) very delicate. Claws unidentate. Length 2 mm.

Male. Black, the antennæ, legs (except coxæ), tips of mandibles, palpi, tegulæ and petiole luteous. Head faintly rugose, face and cheeks covered with long, whitish hairs. Pronotum, mesonotum and pleura faintly reticulate, shining, metanotum faintly aciculate, pubescent, scutellum deeply rugose. Abdomen long, slender, compressed, pubescent laterally on 2nd segment. Antennæ 15-segmented, 1st segment obconic, 2nd subglobose, 3rd longest, succeeding segments to 13th progressively shorter, 13th and 14th subequal, 15th short and pointed. Length 1.75 mm.

Gall (Pl. XXIII, fig. 1). A small, brown, thin-shelled gall arising, several together, in the staminate ament of *Quercus agrifolia*. The gall is about 3 or 4 mms. long, rather angulate and more or less clavate. Polythalamous.

Habitat, Palo Alto, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

**4 DISHOLCASPIIS** D. T. & Kieff.

Holcaspis, G. Mayr, Gen. d. Cynip. (1881), p. 9, 33.

Disholcaspis (n. n. for Holcaspis, preoccupied), Dalla Torre and Kieffer, Das Tierreich, Bief. 24 Cynipidæ (1910), p. 371.

Agamic generation. Head and thorax covered with a rather dense pubescence, abdomen bare, the sides basally slightly pubescent. Cheeks less than half the length of the eyes. Antennæ 13-15 segmented, pubescent. Pronotum narrow in the middle. Parapsidal grooves incomplete, not reaching anterior margin. Base of scutellum with a transverse groove. Ridges of the metanotum arcuate. Radial cell long and open at the margin. Tarsal claws bidentate. Second tergite of abdomen not produced linguiform caudally. Sexual generation unknown. Galls on *Quercus*.

**Disholcaspis truckeensis (Ashm.)**

*Disholcaspis truckeensis*, Ashmead, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 19 (1896), p. 127.

*Disholcaspis truckeensis*, Dalla Torre and Kieffer, Das Tierreich, Cynipidae (1910), p. 380.

"Gall. An irregular, inflated, hard, woody gall, over an inch long and about half an inch in diameter, issuing from a slit in a terminal twig of *Quercus chrysolepis* var. *vaccinifolia*; polythalamous.

"Gall-fly. Female. Length, 3.4 mm. This species, in color and size, closely resembles *H. ficigera*, Ashmead, but differs as follows: The 14-jointed antennae, except the first two joints, pleura, and metathorax blackish, shining; the rest of the insect—except the dorsum of the second abdominal segment, which is obfuscated—brownish yellow; the head and thorax punctate, and covered with a glittering white pubescence. Abdomen highly polished, bare, except the sides of second segment basally; spine of ventral valve short, stout, hairy. Wings hyaline, veins brown, areolet distinct, cubital cell open at base, while the basal vein of radial cell is only obtusely angular.

"Type No. 3080, U. S. N. M.

"Two specimens, reared December 6th, 1880, from galls collected by Prof. J. H. Comstock, in California, October 16, 1880." (W. H. Ashmead.)

I have not seen examples of this species.

**Disholcaspis eldoradensis (Beutenm.)**

*Disholcaspis eldoradensis*, Beutenmüller, Bul. Am. Mus. Nat. Hist., vol. 26 (1900), p. 38.

Female. Testaceous, eyes, ocelli, occiput, anterior margin of face, antennae distally from 8th segment, pecten, dorsal and subdorsal vitta on mesonotum concurrent with median longitudinal lines and lines over base of wings, median vitta on metanotum and dorsal valve black, vertex and front of head, tibiae and tarsi of legs, and abdomen dorsally fuscous. Head faintly rugose and covered with dense grayish pubescence, antennae 14-segmented, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 2nd a trifle longer than broad, 3rd segment longest, longer than 1 and 2 together, 4th segment as long as 3rd, succeeding segments to 10th progressively shorter, 10th and following segments subequal except the last, which is somewhat longer than penultimate; all the segments sparsely pubescent. Thorax coarsely punctate and covered with pubescence, parapsidal grooves on mesonotum indistinct, median longitudinal lines reaching half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings distinct, scutellum rugose, foveae inconspicuous, long, narrow and oblique. Abdomen smooth and shining, much compressed, 2nd segment reaching half-way to apex, pubescent at base, 3rd, 4th and 5th segments fairly broad, dorsal and ventral valves thickly pubescent. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins heavy, black, radial cell long, open at the margin, vein at base of cell decidedly angulate, radius itself almost straight, areolet rather large, cubitus not quite reaching basal nervure. Claws simple. Length 2.5-3 mm.

Gall. Small, brown, cushion-shaped galls, sessile on twigs of *Quercus kelloggii* and *Quercus lobata*, hard and woody with the base broadly inserted in a slit in the bark. The top is flat and much pitted. Length about 4 mm., breadth about 3 mm., height about 3 mm.

Habitat. Stanford University, Cal. (R. W. Patterson). Solana County, California. (Beutenmüller).

**Disholcaspis chrysolepidis** (Beutenm.)

*Disholcaspis chrysolepidis*, Beutenmüller, Ent. News, vol. 22 (1911), p. 68.

Female. Very similar to *D. eldoradensis*, from which it can scarcely be separated, except on the character of the gall. Specimens before me show the following differences: parapsidal grooves deep and distinct, reaching half-way to anterior margin, pubescence on the thorax less abundant.

Gall. Galls sessile on the twigs of *Quercus chrysolepis* and *Quercus dumosa* and massed together around the stem, 15 to 30 in a mass; very irregular but more or less cushion-shaped outwardly and rugose, 3-4 mm. in diameter, this portion of the gall surmounting smooth, lobular enlargements, sometimes arranged in a rosette. Sometimes the galls are elevated or arranged palisade-like, the outer face rough, the sides smooth, and with a median constriction. They are described as reddish or beef colored when fresh. Monothalamous, with a large internal pupal cell.

Habitat. Alma Soda Springs, Cal. (W. R. Dudley). Placer County, California. (Beutenmüller.)

**5 TRICHOTERAS** Ashm.

*Trichoterass*, Ashmead, Psyche, vol. 8 (1897), p. 67.

*Trichoterass*, Ashmead, Psyche, vol. 10 (1903), p. 159.

Head and thorax closely punctate, opaque, and densely pubescent. Antennæ of female 12-segmented, 3rd segment a little shorter and thicker than 4th equal to 5th, succeeding segments to 9th becoming gradually shorter, 9th to 11th only a little longer than thick, 12th as long as 10 and 11 together. Disc of the mesopleura bare, smooth and shining. Scutellum cushion-shaped, a little longer than wide, with two smooth, lunate foveæ at base. Tarsus of hind legs not longer than tibia, claws with a tooth at base beneath.

**Trichoterass coquilletti** Ashm.

*Trichoterass coquilletti*, Ashmead, Psyche, vol. 8 (1897), p. 67.

Galls. Small, brown, sub-opaque, globular galls, averaging from 6 to 8 mm. in diameter, and internally with a central kernel or larval cell held in place by radiating filaments.

These galls were collected by Mr. D. W. Coquillett, at Los Angeles, California, from the upper surface of the leaves of an unknown oak, who forwarded them to the Department of Agriculture, where three specimens of the gall-wasp were reared. Structurally and in general appearance the galls very closely resemble *Dryophanta polita* Bass., but the sub-apterous wasp is quite different from that species.



"Agamous female. Length 2.5 mm. Head and thorax ferruginous, closely punctate, and very hairy; prosternum and pleura blackish; legs fuscous-piceous, the articulations paler.

"Antennae 12-jointed, shorter than the body, the scape fully as long as the first joint of flagellum, obconical, and much stouter, pedicel one and one-half times as long as thick, 2nd joint of flagellum distinctly longer than either the 1st or 3rd joint; 4th joint of flagellum a little shorter than the 3rd, the 5th and following joints gradually shortening, the penultimate joint being scarcely longer than thick, the last joint fully as long as the first joint of flagellum, or twice as long as the penultimate. Wings abbreviated, narrowed and not extending beyond tip of abdomen, the veins dark brown, the marginal cell open, the areolet indicated by the union of the surrounding nervures. Abdomen black, polished, pubescent along the sides towards base, and as long as the head and thorax together, compressed and viewed from the side it is as broad as long, the hypopygium armed at tip with a long spine.

"Hab. Los Angeles, California.

"Type No. 3498, U. S. N. M.

"Described from 3 female specimens bred Nov. 26 and 29 and Dec. 6, 1892." (W. H. Ashmead).

I have not seen examples of this species.

#### 6 CYNIPS L.

Cynips (part.), Linne, Syst. Nat. ed. 10 (1758), p. 343, 553.

Cynips (part.), T. Hartig, Zeits. f. Ent., vol. 2 (1840), p. 185, 187.

Cynips, Forster, Verh. Zool. Ges. Wien, vol. 19 Abh. (1869), p. 331, 333.

Cynips, C. Mayr, Gen. d. Cynip. (1881), p. 28.

Diplolepis (part.), L. Geoffroy, Hist. Ins., vol. 2 (1762), p. 308.

Agamic generation. Body densely pubescent throughout, abdomen dorsally sometimes more or less bare. Antennae filiform, 12-15 segmented, without long, erect hairs. Pronotum narrow in the middle. Parapsidal grooves percurrent. Scutellum with two basal foveae, separated by a median carina. Metanotal ridges parallel. Radial cell open at the margin. Tarsal claws bidentate.

#### *Cynips canescens* (Bass.)

*Holcaspis canescens*, H. F. Bassett, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 17 (1896), p. 66.

*Disholcaspis canescens*, Della Torre and Kieffer, Das Tierreich, Bd. 24 Cynipidae (1910), p. 378.

Female. Reddish brown, eyes, ocelli, tips of mandibles, antennae distally from 8th segment and a spot on 1st, prosternum, 1st abdominal segment, tarsi and ventral valve fuscous to black, clothed with pale grayish pubescence throughout except abdomen dorsally, which is bare. Head faintly rugose, antennae 14-segmented, filiform, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 3rd segment longest, longer than 1 and 2 together, and a little longer than 4th, succeeding segments progressively shorter, the last in some specimens indistinctly divided and longer than penultimate. Pronotum narrow in the middle, mesonotum punctate, each puncture bearing a hair, parapsidal grooves reaching about halfway to anterior margin, median longitudinal lines extending about

half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings distinct and broad, mesopleura and scutellum punctate, basal foveae on latter obsolete. Abdomen compressed, dorsally bare, smooth and shining, ridged apically, pubescent at sides and beneath, 2nd segment occupying about one-half its length, 3rd tergite distinct, only sternites of following segments visible, dorsal and ventral valves prominent and pubescent. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins prominent, radial cell open at margin, vein at base angulate, arcolelet large, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length, 4 mm.

Gall. Brownish, globular galls, about 10 mm. in diameter, occurring singly or in clusters on the twigs of *Quercus douglasi*. Sometimes a little irregular in shape, not much roughened, and covered with a yellowish brown fuzz. Monothalamous, with a large, globular larval chamber, quite distinct from the cortical layer and held in place by loose, spongy tissue.

Habitat. Hornitos, Cal. (Miss Hazel Engebretsen).

#### *Cynips corallina* (Bass.)

*Holcaspis corallinus*, H. F. Bassett, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 17 (1890), p. 66.

*Holcaspis corallina*, Dalla Torre, Cat. Hymen., vol. 2 (1893), p. 55.

*Disholcaspis corallina*, Dalla Torre and Kieffer, Das Tierreich, lief. 24 Cynipidae (1910), p. 377.

Female. Very similar to *C. canescens*, but the pubescence is regularly more extensive on abdomen, only a small rhomboidal area dorsally on second segment remaining bare. The antennae are brownish throughout, the basal segments darker, but light at the joints. The abdomen is not compressed apically but rotund, and all the tergites are visible.

Gall. Pale yellowish, globular galls, about 12 mm. in diameter, found on the twigs of *Quercus douglasi*. The galls are pointed at the poles and the surface is roughened by irregular ridges; or bears short, blunt tubercles giving it the appearance of coral.

Habitat. Mt. Diablo, California. (Harold Morrison.)

#### *Cynips multipunctata* (Beutenm.)

*Dryophanta multipunctata*, Beutenmüller, Ent. News, vol. 22 (1911), p. 67.

Female. Reddish brown, eyes, ocelli, tips of mandibles, face medially, pecten, dorsal and subdorsal vitta on mesonotum concurrent with median longitudinal lines and lines over base of wings, abdomen dorsally, sometimes entirely black or blackish. Head broad, bulged beyond the narrow eyes, faintly rugose and punctate, with a thick covering of pale yellowish pubescence, antennae 14-segmented, 1st and 2nd segments brown, following segments brownish black, 1st to 4th segments light brown distally, 1st and 2nd segments as usual stout, 3rd segment longest, longer than 1 and 2 together and a trifle longer than 4th, the following segments progressively shorter except the last, which is one-third longer than penultimate. Thorax faintly rugose and punctate, pubescent, except on median longitudinal lines which are bare, parapsidal grooves complete, median longitudinal lines reaching more than half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of

wings distinct and rather long, pleura pubescent, mesopleura spotted with black, scutellum rugose and punctate, each puncture bearing a hair as on head and mesothorax, black at base, foveae indistinct. Abdomen smooth, shining, faintly punctate, all the segments clothed with long, straight, pale yellowish pile, but dorsally and laterally bare in spots, rotund but ridged dorsally, 2nd segment occupying half its length, 3rd and 4th segments also wide, ventral valve large, triangular, with broad apex, bearing a large tuft of hairs, dorsal valve also hairy at tip. Legs pale brown and clothed with hairs. Wings large, hyaline, pubescent, veins brownish black, subcostal, radial, anal and cross veins thickened, the radial vein incrassate at tip, radial cell open and rather short, vein at base angulate and clouded, areolet large and distinct, cubital vein reaching almost to basal, clouded area at base of cubital and discoidal cells and at break in anal vein, the cubital cell with 12-15 black spots. Length 4.5 mm.

Gall. Small, dark brown, globular galls in clusters of ten to twelve on terminal twigs of *Quercus lobata*, 8 mm. in diameter, more or less irregular in shape due to compression, the exposed surface rugose. Monothalamous, the small, round larval cell, 2 mm. in diameter, imbedded centrally in spongy tissue.

Habitat. Palo Alto, Cal. (Miss Bertha Wiltz). Kern County, California. (Beutenmüller.)

Beutenmüller describes the gall of this species as "covered with a dense, short and compact woolly substance and hairs." He states also that it occurs on leaves. His specimens are obviously different from mine, although specimens of the fly from my collection which he has compared with those in his possession, he states are similar.

#### *Cynips maculipennis* (Gillette).

*Holcaspis maculipennis*, Gillette, Can. Ent., vol. 26 (1894), p. 236.

*Disholcaspis maculipennis*, Dalla Torre and Kieffer, Das Tierreich, Bd. 24 Cynipidae (1910), p. 375.

Female. Rufous, antennae and abdomen mixed with black, densely clothed with sordid white silky pubescence except on abdomen dorsally. Head broad, bulging beyond the eyes, faintly punctate, antennae 14-segmented, filiform, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 3rd longest, succeeding segments to 10th progressively shorter, 10th and following segments subequal except the last, which is a trifle longer than penultimate. Pronotum narrow in the middle, mesonotum finely rugose, parapsidal grooves deep and reaching to anterior margin, median longitudinal lines extending half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings distinct and rather broad, scutellum finely rugose, cushion-shaped, foveae indistinct. Abdomen well developed, broader than long, slightly compressed, valves black. Wings large and rather broad, hyaline, veins brown with brownish cloud at base of cubital cell, another beneath areolet, and numerous small brown spots in cubital cell. Length 4.5 mm.

Gall. Large, globular galls on the leaves of *Quercus garryana* and other species of oak, yellowish brown and covered with rather large, dark brown spots, about 30 mm. in diameter. The outer shell is very thin and the single larval chamber is held in place by radiating fibers.

Habitat. McConaughy (Siskiyou Co.), Cal. (R. W. Patterson).

*Cynips heldae* n. sp.

Female. Very similar to *C. multipunctata*, from which it can scarcely be separated, except on the character of the gall.

Gall (Pl. XXIII, fig. 2). A small gall, with very irregular shape, occurring on *Quercus lobata*; more or less cubical, with many ridged and pointed projections, about 8 mm. long and 5 mm. square. My specimens, which are old and dry, are brownish, but in its natural state the gall was probably reddish, and is composed of a crystalline substance similar to the material forming the gall of *Diptolepis echina*.

Habitat. Ukiah, Cal. (Miss Held).

*Cynips kelloggi* n. sp.

Female. Reddish brown, the eyes, ocelli, a spot on front of head, tips of mandibles, oral margin, prosternum, antennae distally from 7th segment, metathoracic carinae, abdomen dorsally at apex and dorsal valve, tibia of hind legs and tarsi black or blackish. Head rugoso-punctate, antennae 15-segmented, 1st segment obconic, 2nd oval, 3rd long, as long as 1 and 2 together, following segments to 10th progressively shorter, 11th to 15th subequal. Thorax rugose, pubescent, parapsidal and median grooves complete, median longitudinal lines reaching half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings distinct, pleura smooth, shining, punctate in the middle, pubescent above and below, scutellum coarsely rugoso-punctate, pubescent, foveae rather large, oval, oblique, shallow, with smooth bottom, not approximate, metanotum rugose. Abdomen smooth and shining, 2nd segment occupying about one-half its length, 3rd segment wide but 4th and 5th narrow, all the segments laterally pubescent, sheaths of ovipositor projecting and with dorsal valve pubescent. Legs slightly pubescent, claws unidentate. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins black or blackish, radial cell open at the margin, its basal vein arcuate, almost angulate, areolet distinct, cubital vein reaching basal. Length 2-3 mm.

Gall. An elongated swelling of the twig of *Quercus douglasii*, about 20 mm. long and 10 mm. in diameter, its outer covering the same as the bark of the twig. Polythalamous.

Habitat. Stevens Creek, beyond Cupertino, Cal. (R. W. Patterson).

7 **ANDRICUS** Hartig.

*Cynips* (part.), Linne, Syst. Nat., ed. 10 (1758), p. 553.

*Andricus* (part.), T. Hartig, Zeits. f. Ent., vol. 2 (1840), p. 185, 190.

*Andricus*, *Aphilothrix*, A. Förster, Verh. Zool. Ges. Wien, vol. 19 Abh., 1869, p. 331, 335, 336.

*Andricus*, G. Mayr., Gen. d. Cynip. (1881), p. 12.

Checks at most only half the length of the eyes. Antennæ of female 12-16 segmented, of male 14-17 segmented. Pronotum narrow in the middle. Mesonotum shagreened or nearly smooth, sometimes transversely folded. Parapsidal grooves usually percurrent. Scutellum with two basal foveæ, without median line on disc. Metanotal ridges parallel or arcuate. Radial cell elongate, open at the margin. Tarsal claws bidentate. Abdomen almost glabrous. Agamic and sexual generations.

***Andricus quercus-californicus* (Bass.)**

*Cynips quercus californica*, H. F. Bassett, Can. Ent., vol. 13 (1881), p. 51.

*Andricus californicus*, G. Mayr., Gen. d. Cynip. (1881), p. 28.

*Andricus* (*Callirhytis*) *californicus*, Ashmead, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 12 (1885), p. 294.

Female. Reddish brown, eyes, ocelli, tips of mandibles, 3rd to 6th and 1st antennal segments proximally and ventral valve black or blackish. Head, thorax and legs covered with yellowish white pubescence. Head faintly rugose, broad and bulging laterally beyond the eyes, antennæ 14-segmented, filiform, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 3rd long, longer than 1 and 2 together, succeeding segments to 9th progressively shorter, 9th and following segments subequal except the last, which is twice as long as penultimate. Pronotum narrow in the middle, faintly rugose, mesonotum shallowly punctate, parapsidal grooves incomplete, reaching slightly beyond the middle, median longitudinal lines extending half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings long and thin, a median bare spot on pleura smooth and shining, scutellum cushion-shaped, rugose, with rather indistinct basal foveæ. Abdomen broad, smooth and shining, dorsally ridged at apex, 2nd segment occupying about half its length, pubescent at sides basally, ventral valve and sheath of ovipositor also pubescent. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins brownish, radial cell rather short and open at the margin, vein at base angulate, areolet large, cubitus almost reaching basal vein. Length 5 mm.

Gall. The familiar "oak-apple;" large, smooth, yellowish white, globular galls found on the branches of *Quercus lobata*, 50 to 60 mm. or more in diameter, sessile, polythalamous, the numerous larval cells imbedded internally in a rather dense cellular tissue.

Habitat. Santa Rosa, Cal. (Miss Josephine Van Wormer).

***Andricus chrysolepidis* Ashm.**

*Andricus chrysolepidis*, Ashmead, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 19 (1896), p. 119.

"Gall. A very hard, ovate, or globular gall, with a nipple at apex and a centrally imbedded larval cell; externally it is covered with a dense, fine, short pubescence like the pubescence on a peach, although sometimes this is rubbed off. Diameter, 5-8 mm.

Gallfly. Female. Length, 3 to 5 mm. Reddish brown, antennæ and legs brownish yellow, eyes and abdomen dark, reddish brown. Head and thorax closely punctate, sparsely pubescent. Antennæ 14-jointed, very slightly thickened at tips. The thorax, besides the two trapezoidal grooves, which are obsolete anteriorly, has a median groove extending anteriorly for more than half length of the mesonotum, two short median grooves anteriorly on each side of this, and the usual groove on the shoulders. Scutellum cushion-shaped, rugose, the foveæ distinct, pleura finely, minutely rugose, slightly striated at base. Abdomen polished, the short apical segments under a high power show a fine, delicate punctuation, while the ventral valve projects but slightly. Wings glossy, hyaline, veins yellowish, areolet small; neither the apex of the submarginal nor the radial vein reach the margin.

"Types No. 3066, U. S. N. M.

"One female, reared from a gall found on *Quercus chrysolepis*, at Colfax, Placer County, California, October 8, 1885, by Mr. Albert Koebele; and two specimens reared January 18 and 29, 1886, from same galls. Other of the galls are numbered 3816 U. S. N. M." (W. H. Ashmead.)

I have not seen examples of this species.

#### ***Andricus congregatus* Ashm.**

*Andricus congregatus*, Ashmead, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 19 (1896), p. 120.

"Gall. An irregular, rugose, yellowish brown woody swelling, containing numerous cells, growing apparently from the extreme tips of very slender twigs of *Quercus chrysolepis*, the gall appearing to have a long peduncle, or it may be at the apex of the petal of a leaf, the leaf in consequence being aborted. The gall is more or less contracted in the middle and varies in length from 2-4 cm. and in diameter from 1-2 cm.

"Gallfly. Female. Length, 2 mm. Pale brown or brownish yellow, the eight terminal antennal joints, the middle and posterior tibiae, metathorax, abdomen dorsally, and wing veins brown. Head and thorax closely, uniformly punctate. Antennæ 11 or 15-jointed, depending upon whether the terminal joint, which presents a rather distinct suture, is counted as one or two joints. The terminal joints all appear delicately fluted. Mesonotum has three distinct grooves, extending its whole length, and the groove on the shoulder is long. Scutellum minutely rugose, the foveæ oblique, distinct, but rather widely separated. Wings hyaline, with short pubescence.

"Type. No. 3068 U. S. N. M.

"Seven female specimens, received from Prof. E. W. Hilgard, Oakland, California, and reared November 10, 1876. The gall also occurs on *Quercus agrifolia*, and Prof. Riley says "a woody deformation of the staminate aments and quite abundant on some trees." (W. H. Ashmead.)

I have not seen examples of this species.

**Andricus crystallinus** Bass.

*Andricus crystallinus*, H. F. Bassett, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 26 (1900), p. 319.

Female. Cherry red to reddish brown, eyes, oral margin, spot on front above the insertion of antennae, antennae distally from 7th segment and a band on segments 1, 3, 4 and 5, dorsal and subdorsal lines on mesonotum concurrent with median longitudinal lines and lines over base of wings, scutellum at base, metathorax largely, petiole, abdomen dorsally at base and on 3rd, 4th and 5th segments, petiole, hind coxae, tips of tarsi and dorsal valve black or blackish. Head minutely rugoso-punctate, face pubescent, antennae 14-segmented, 1st segment obconic, 2nd oval, 3rd as long as 1 and 2 together, a trifle longer than 4th or 5th, succeeding segments to 10th progressively shorter, following segments subequal. Pronotum narrow in the middle, punctate, mesonotum also punctate, parapsidal grooves complete, median longitudinal lines reaching half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings long and rather broad, pleura smooth and shining, pubescent on upper and lower margins, scutellum rugose, foveae large, oval, deep, bottom smooth and shining, approximate, covered throughout with dense pubescence. Abdomen smooth and shining, 2nd segment occupying about four-fifths of its length, basally pubescent at sides, 3rd segment rather wide, 4th, 5th and 6th quite narrow, these segments minutely punctate, ovipositor sheaths exerted and pubescent, legs light brown, claws bidentate. Wings hyaline, pubescent, subcostal, radial, basal and anal veins heavy and brown, others rather faint, radial cell open at margin and rather long, its basal vein arcuate, arcolet indistinct, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length about 2.25 mm.

Gall. Irregularly shaped palisadal galls, in clusters of 5 or 6, on under side of leaves of *Quercus dumosa*, *Quercus douglasi* and *Quercus agrifolia*? and binding leaves together. Outwardly fuzzy. The individual gall is about 7 mm. long and 2 to 3 mm. across.

Habitat. Jasper Ridge, in the vicinity of Stanford University, Cal. (R. W. Patterson). St. Helena, Cal. (Miss Julia Begley). Napa, Cal. (Bassett.)

**Andricus pacificus** Ashm.

*Andricus pacificus*, Ashmead, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 19 (1896), p. 118.

Female. Reddish brown, eyes, ocelli, tips of mandibles, and tip of dorsal valve blackish, 1st abdominal segment more or less fuscous, legs and antennae basally a yellowish brown. Head faintly rugose, pubescent, antennae 14-segmented, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 3rd long, longer than 4th, succeeding segments to 10th progressively shorter, 10th and following segments subequal except last, which is a trifle longer than penultimate. Thorax faintly rugose, parapsidal and median grooves on mesonotum reaching half-way to anterior margin, median longitudinal lines extending half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings distinct and long, pleura aciculate, scutellum deeply rugose, especially at apex, and pubescent, foveae large, subcircular, shallow, with shining, punctate bottom, and contiguous. Abdomen

about equal in length to head and thorax together, 2nd segment extended and succeeding segments, which are microscopically punctate, telescoped, occupying only a fourth its length, valves conspicuous. Wings glassy hyaline, pubescent, radial cell open at the margin, areolet large, cubitus not reaching basal vein, vein at base of radial cell arcuate. Length 2.5-3.5 mm.

Gall. Dark greenish or yellowish brown, drupe-like galls, 2 cm. in length and 1 cm. in width, arising from the leaf-buds of *Quercus chrysolepis*, pointed at apex and with more or less obvious nipple, surface rugose. Apparently monothalamous. The exit hole of the mature insect is at the base. Internally the gall is of a hard, pithy structure, and an elongated, cylindrical canal leads to the large centrally imbedded larval cell. These galls are described by Ashmead as smooth and sometimes polished.

Habitat. Stevens Creek, above Cupertino, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.) Placer County, California. (Ashmead.)

#### *Andricus dasydactyli* Ashm.

*Andricus dasydactyli*, Ashmead, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 19 (1896), p. 117.

"Gall. This gall, in structure, is very peculiar, and consists of an oblong or elongated, woody tube, in shape not unlike a date seed; it is two centimeters long by from one-half to three-fourths of a centimeter in diameter, one end being attached sessily to the branch and covered with long, brownish yellow wool. Internally there is a cylindrical hollow, which, however, does not extend its entire length, being interrupted or stopped up by the small larval cell which is situated near its center.

"Sometimes three or more of these galls occur close together on the branch, and with their woolly covering present a curious appearance. One of the specimens in the collection is almost globular, but all the others are as described above.

"Gall-fly. Female. Length 3.8 mm. Clear reddish brown; vertex of head and the extreme tip of abdomen dusky; antennæ and legs brownish yellow. Head and thorax minutely, finely punctate, the pleura with fine striæ. Antennæ 14-jointed, rather long, the 3rd joint one-third longer than 4th, the following to 8th gradually shortening, beyond this about equal, the terminal joint being slightly lengthened. The parapsidal grooves are only distinct on the posterior half of the mesonotum, entirely wanting anteriorly; anteriorly extending to about the middle of the mesonotum are two median, glabrous lines; posteriorly there is a long median grooved line, while the line on the shoulders is distinct; the scutellum is more coarsely rugose at the apex, the basal foveæ large, ovate, oblique, approximate, glabrous at bottom. The abdomen is slightly longer than the head and thorax together and of the usual shape. Wings glassy hyaline, only slightly pubescent, the veins pale yellowish, except the basal nervure and the vein at base of marginal cell, which are brown; this last vein is arcuate but not angulate. The areolet is large and the cubital cell is not quite closed.

"Type. No. 3063, U. S. N. M.



"Described from many female specimens, which issued at various dates between January 18, 1885 and February 11, 1886. The gall occurs in California on *Quercus chrysolepis*, and was sent to the Department of Agriculture by Mr. Albert Koebele." (W. H. Ashmead)

I have only seen specimens of the gall, which were collected from *Quercus chrysolepis*, in the Stevens Creek Canyon, above Cupertino, Cal. It is very characteristic and unmistakable.

#### ***Andricus kingi* Bass.**

*Andricus kingi*, H. F. Bassett, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 26 (1900), p. 316, 317.

Female. Brown, eyes, ocelli, tips of mandibles, tips of tarsi and dorsal valve black. Head finely reticulate, face a pale brown, without pubescence, antennae 14-segmented, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 3rd segment long, nearly as long as 1 and 2 together, one-third longer than 4th, 4th and 5th subequal, succeeding segments to 9th progressively shorter, 9th and following segments subequal, all the segments more or less fuscous. Thorax finely reticulate and punctate, covered with a sparse pubescence, parapsidal grooves complete and deep, median longitudinal lines and smooth lines over base of wings rather indistinct, median longitudinal groove from posterior margin very indistinct, mesopleura smooth, shining, microscopically reticulate, pubescent below, scutellum rugose, basally with large, circular foveae, shallow, with smooth bottom, and contiguous, separated only by a carina. Abdomen smooth, shining, compressed, 2nd segment occupying about one-half its length, following segments wholly visible, dorsal valve and ovipositor sheaths prominent, last segment reticulate, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and margin of 2nd punctate. Wings hyaline, pubescent, with faint iridescence, radial cell open and rather long, arcolelet small, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 2mm.

Gall. Small, pink, cone-shaped galls on the under side of leaves of *Quercus lobata*, about 5mm. high and 4 mm. across the base, which is broad and rather saucer-shaped. The outer portion of the gall is conical, the sides curved inwards slightly. The larval chamber is near the apex, where the exit hole is found. Some of the galls, from which flies were bred in every way identical with those from typical specimens, are said to be whitish striped with red and on leaves of *Quercus douglasii*, but specimens are not at hand.

#### ***Andricus parmula* Bass.**

*Andricus parmula*, H. F. Bassett, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 26 (1900), p. 312.

Female. Ferruginous, the legs and antennae yellowish brown, eyes, ocelli, tips of mandibles, tips of tarsi, abdomen dorsally at apex and ventral valve black. Head faintly rugose, face pubescent, antennae 13-segmented, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 3rd segment long, only a little longer than 4th, 4th and 5th segments subequal, succeeding segments to 10th progressively shorter, 10th and following segments subequal, except last, which is twice as long as penultimate. Pronotum narrow in the middle, mesonotum coarsely reticulate, parapsidal grooves

incomplete, reaching but half-way to anterior margin, median longitudinal lines extending half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over area posteriorly, scutellum rugose, sparsely pubescent, basal foveæ large, elliptic, oblique, with smooth bottom, not approximate, metanotal ridges only slightly curved, faced with black. Abdomen about as long as head and thorax together, smooth and shining, more or less lenticular in shape, second segment occupying half its length, 3rd segment rather broad, following segments narrow, ovipositor sheath exerted, concolorous. Wings rather opaque whitish, faintly iridescent, veins faint, yellowish, radial cell narrow, open at the margin, vein at base arcuate, almost angulate, areolet indistinct, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 2 mm.

Gall. Very small, flat, reddish, disc-shaped galls on the under side of leaves of *Quercus lobata*, about 3 mm. in diameter, slightly elevated in the center. Much smaller than gall of *Andricus pattersonæ* and quite distinct from it.

#### **Andricus wisliceni** Ashm.

*Andricus wisliceni*, Ashmead, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 19 (1896), p. 119.

"Gall. A small, globular gall, with a slight projection at base where it is attached to the twig; it varies in color from a yellow brown to dark brown, and some are mottled with purple and brown. It is hard, and contains in the center a small larval cell; diameter, 3-4 mm.

"Gall-fly. Female. Length, 3 to 3.4 mm. Pale brownish yellow, almost devoid of pubescence, the abdomen polished and discolored with brown, eyes dark brown, the mandibles black. Head and thorax finely punctate, shining; in front of the anterior ocellus is a deep transverse foveæ, and there are some coarse scattered punctures on the mesonotum. Antennæ 14-jointed, the 3rd joint about one-eighth longer than the 4th, the joints from 7th to apex short, about twice as long as wide, dusky, and delicately fluted. Parapsidal grooves distinct, the groove on the shoulders very long, distinct, and a little bent anteriorly. Scutellum cushion-shaped, rugose, the foveæ at base large and distinct, separated only by a slight carina; pleura smooth, but under a high power showing faint delicate striæ. Wings hyaline, the pubescence short, veins, except the sub-marginal vein from the portion extending from the basal vein to apex, and the angulated cross vein at base of marginal cell, which are brownish or piceous, yellowish.

"Type. No. 3065, U. S. N. M.

"Nine female specimens, reared October 14, 1886, from the galls sent to the National Museum by Mr. Albert Koebele, collected in Sacramento County, California, on *Quercus wisliceni*." (W.H. Ashmead).

I have not seen examples of this species.

**Andricus quercus-flocci** (Walsh).

- ? *Cynips quercus lana*, A. Fitch, 5th Rep. Ins. N. York (1859), p. 34.  
 ? *Cynips quercus lanæ*, Osten Sacken, Proc. Ent. Soc. Philad., vol. 1 (1891),  
 p. 62.  
*Cynips quercus flocci*, B. D. Walsh, Proc. Ent. Soc. Philad., vol. 2 (1894),  
 p. 482.  
*Cynips* (*Andricus*) *flocci* Osten Sacken, Proc. Ent. Soc. Philad., vol. 1 (1895),  
 p. 352.  
*Andricus flocci*, G. Mayr, Gen. d. Cynip. (1881), p. 28.  
 ? *Andricus lana*, Ashmead, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 12 (1885), p. 295.

Female. Black, ocelli, antennæ, legs distally from the coxæ, tegulæ and ovipositor sheath brownish. Head reticulately rugose, shining, face with whitish pubescence, antennæ 13-segmented, 3rd segment longest, not as long as 1 and 2 together and only a little longer than 4th, following segments progressively shorter except last, which is one and one-half times the length of penultimate, distal segments fuscous. Pronotum narrow in the middle, rugose and pubescent, mesonotum smooth and shining, or more or less shagreened, parapsidal grooves deeply impressed, complete, the median longitudinal lines reaching more than half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings distinct and reaching anterior margin, pleura aciculate, scutellum rugose, slightly pubescent, basal foveæ large, shallow, with smooth bottom, approximate. Abdomen smooth, shining, greatly compressed apically, 2nd segment occupying more than half its length, pubescent at base, 3rd and following segments narrow, ventral valve perpendicular, reaching tergal line, ovipositor exerted and curving upward, ovipositor sheath pale, pubescent. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins brown, radial cell long, open at the margin, vein at base arcuate, areolet small, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 2.25 mm.

Gall. A mass of twenty or more smooth, brown, elliptical or leaf-shaped galls, 2mm. high and 1 mm. in diameter, on under side of leaves of *Quercus lobata*, covered with reddish or yellowish wool. Monothalamous.

Habitat. Palo Alto, Cal. (Miss Bertha Wiltz.)

**Andricus pattersonæ** n. sp.

Female. Very similar to *A. kingi*, from which it can scarcely be separated, except on the character of the gall. Some of the specimens have the abdomen dorsally and the antennæ distally from 9th segment more or less blackish, and dorsal and subdorsal vittæ on mesonotum concurrent with the median longitudinal lines and smooth lines over base of wings.

Gall (Pl. XXIII, fig. 3). Thin, flat, disc-shaped galls from leaves (presumably) of *Quercus douglasi*, about 6 mm. in diameter, greenish gray with lilac center, the margin irregular; upper surface a trifle wrinkled but otherwise smooth.

Habitat. Stanford University, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

**Andricus wiltzæ** n. sp.

Female. Head and thorax black, abdomen walnut brown, darker (almost black) on the dorsum, antennæ brown, 1st, 3rd and 4th segments suffused with black, distally from 6th segment fuscous to black, tegulae suffused with black, ovipositor, anterior legs and joints of middle and hind legs brown. Head broad and thin, with close, reticular sculpturing, eyes narrow, antennæ 13-segmented, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 1st obconic, 2nd subglobular, 3rd longest, as long as 1 and 2 together, following segments progressively shorter to last, which is twice penultimate. Prothorax narrow in the middle and transversely folded, sparsely punctate, each puncture bearing a hair, mesonotum openly reticulate, transversely folded, parapsidal grooves complete and distinct, median longitudinal lines reaching almost half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings distinct, pleura smooth and polished, aciculate in the middle, pubescent below, scutellum deeply rugose, basal foveæ large, oval, with smooth, shining bottom, approximate, separated only by a carina, metanotum smooth, polished, pubescent. Abdomen stout, subglobose, smooth and shining, 2nd segment occupying less than one-half its length, 3rd segment rather broad, slightly punctate, 4th, 5th and 6th segments narrow, all with oblique margins, ventral valve concealed, black, ovipositor sheath slightly projecting, pubescent. Wings hyaline, pubescent, subcostal, basal and radial veins heavy, brown, others faint, radial cell long, narrow, open at the margin, vein at base arcuate, areolet distinct but veins on two sides faint, cubitus faint, not reaching basal vein. Length 2.5 mm.

Gall. Polythalamous galls formed in the buds of *Quercus lobata*, distinguished by the thickly compacted cluster of aborted leaves.

Habitat. Stanford University, Cal. (Miss Bertha Wiltz.)

**Andricus brunneus** n. sp.

Female. Brown to reddish brown, the eyes, ocelli, tips of mandibles, antennæ distally, metanotum in the middle, tips of tarsi, abdomen dorsally at apex and dorsal valve black or blackish. Head faintly reticulate, face pubescent antennæ 14-segmented, 1st segment obconic, 2nd oval, 3rd longest, as long as 1 and 2 together and a little longer than 4th, succeeding segments to 9th progressively shorter, 9th and following segments subequal, except the last, which is a little longer than penultimate. Pronotum and mesonotum finely reticulate, sparsely punctate, each puncture bearing a hair, parapsidal grooves indistinct, reaching but half-way to anterior margin and rather widely separated, median longitudinal lines extending half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings distinct and long, pleura smooth, microscopically reticulate, pubescent above and below, scutellum rugose, basally with large, transverse foveæ, smooth at bottom, contiguous, separated only by a carina, metanotum almost smooth. Abdomen smooth, shining, compressed and dorsally ridged, 2nd segment occupying not more than one-third its length, pubescent at the base, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th segments punctate, 7th segment reticulate, dorsal valve and sheaths of ovipositor

exserted. Wings hyaline, pubescent, subcostal, basal and vein  $a$  at base of radial cell heavy, brown, others faint, radial cell long, open at margin, vein at base arcuate, with fuscous suffusion, areolet small but distinct, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 3 mm.

Gall. Thin-shelled, subglobular galls on leaves of *Quercus douglasii*, about the size of a pea, pointed at opposite poles.

Habitat. Stanford University, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

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*Callirhytis*, A. Forster, Verh. Zool. Ges. Wien, vol. 19 Abh. (1860), p. 331, 335.

*Andricus* (*Callirhytis*), G. Mayr, Gen. d. Cynip. (1861), p. 27.

Differs from *Andricus* only in the following particulars: parapsidal grooves not always complete, tarsal claws simple.

#### *Callirhytis chrysolepidicola* (Ashm.)

*Cynips chrysolepidicola*, Ashmead, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 19 (1896), p. 124.

Female. Brown, eyes, tips of mandibles, face above base of antennae and on anterior margin, and metathoracic carinae black, antennae, abdomen dorsally, and tibiae and tarsi of middle and hind legs fuscous. Head rugose, slightly pubescent, antennae 15-segmented, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 1st obconic, 2nd smaller, 3rd segment longest, longer than 1 and 2 together, 4th-6th segments progressively shorter, following segments subequal except the last, which is smaller than penultimate. Mesothorax punctate and pubescent, parapsidal grooves indistinct, scutellum small, cushion-shaped, rugose and pubescent, foveae distinct, oval, shallow and approximate. Abdomen darker than head or thorax, smooth and shining, 2nd segment pubescent at base, ventral and dorsal valves of medium length and pubescent, ovipositor long, extending much beyond the abdomen. Wings hyaline, pubescent, subcostal, radial basal and 2nd transverse veins heavy, black, other veins rather feeble, radial cell open at margin, areolet distinct. Length 2 mm.

Gall. Stem or twig galls; brown, with a bluish tint, and rugose, over 25 mm. long and about 15-20 mms. in diameter, the long axis lying in the direction of the twig, hard and woody, polythalamous.

Habitat. Pacific Grove, Cal. (C. P. Smith.) Pine Canyon, Cal. (Ashmead.)

#### *Callirhytis apicalis* (Ashm.)

*Andricus apicalis*, Ashmead, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 19 (1896), p. 120.

*Callirhytis apicalis*, G. Mayr, Verh. Zool. Ges. Wien, vol. 52 (1902), p. 29.

"Galls. Irregular, brownish black, globular galls of a dense pithy substance, growing on the roots of *Quercus wislizeni*, sometimes three or four together, pressing each other into irregular shapes. Diameter usually about half an inch.

"Gall-fly. Female. Length 5.8 to 7 mm. Bright brick red, the mandibles black at tips. Head and thorax finely punctate with some larger, coarser punctures scattered over the surface, and almost free

pubescence. Cheeks full, bulging. Antennæ 14-jointed, filiform, 3rd joint slightly larger than 4th and narrowed toward base, the apical joint twice as long as the preceding, fusiform. Parapsidal grooves distinct, a more or less distinct medial groove and distinct grooved lines on the shoulders. Scutellum rugose, with two large foveæ at base, separated by a carina; pleura anteriorly slightly rugose, posteriorly nearly smooth, with some very delicate striae. Abdomen smooth, with a few hairs on the side of second segment; the terminal segments show a fine, delicate punctuation; the spine of the ventral valve is long. Wings hyaline, except the entire apical third, which is smoky or dark brown, the veins stout, black, the angular projection in marginal cell at base being very distinct.

Type. No. 3067, U. S. N. M.

"Three specimens, reared by Mr. Albert Koebele, from galls collected in Sacramento County, California, but the year of collecting and the date of rearing are not given. A single specimen (No. 3714) was reared February 17, 1886. The bright red color and smoky bases of wings will readily distinguish the species." (W. H. Ashmead).

I have not seen examples of this species.

#### ***Callirhytis quercus-pomiformis* (Bass.)**

*Cynips quercus pomiformis*, H. F. Bassett, Can. Ent., vol. 13 (1881), p. 74.

*Andricus pomiformis*, Ashmead, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 12 (1885), p. 295.

*Callirhytis pomiformis*, G. Mayr, Verh. Zool. Ges. Wien, vol. 52 (1902), p. 289.

*Callirhytis quercus-pomiformis*, Dalla Torre and Kieffer, Das Tierreich, Bef. 24 Cynipidæ (1910), p. 368.

Female. Black, antennæ, legs, mandibles and abdomen ventrally dark brown. Head coarsely rugose, antennæ 14-15 segmented, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 3rd segment longest, a little longer than 4th, succeeding segments to 9th progressively shorter, 9th and following segments subequal, 15th a mere tip on preceding segment. Thorax coarsely rugose, parapsidal grooves distinct, complete, median longitudinal lines reaching half-way to posterior margin, scutellum rugose, with subcircular basal foveæ shallow, smooth and shining at bottom, not exactly approximate. Abdomen more or less smooth and shining, 2nd segment occupying about two-thirds its length, ventral valve and sheath of ovipositor pubescent. Legs clothed with pubescence. Wings hyaline, radial cell open at the margin, a black cloud at base, subcostal vein scarcely reaching margin, vein at base of radial cell angulate, areolet distinct, cubitus not always reaching basal vein. Length 3 mm.

Gall. Yellowish, subspherical galls, about 35 mm. in diameter, the surface more or less roughened by slight elevations in the form of longitudinal ridges, containing within numerous oval larval cells imbedded in the pithy substance of the gall.

Habitat. Stanford University, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

**Callirhytis quercus-agrifoliae** (Bass.)

*Cynips quercus agrifoliae*, H. F. Bassett, Can. Ent. vol. 13 (1881), p. 53.

*Andricus* (*Callirhytis*) *agrifoliae*, G. Mayr, Gen. d. Cynip. (1881), p. 28.

*Callirhytis quercus-agrifoliae*, Dalla Torre and Kieffer, Das Tierreich, li. 24 Cynipidae (1910), p. 567.

Female. Pale yellowish brown, the antennae distally from 10th segment and abdomen dorsally fuscous to black, eyes, ocelli, tips of mandibles, prosternum, metathorax, tips of tarsi and ventral valve black. Head faintly rugose, almost granulose, face pubescent, antennae 14-segmented, filiform, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 1st obconic, 2nd oval, 3rd segment longest, as long as 1 and 2 together and a little longer than 4th; succeeding segments to 9th progressively shorter, 9th-13th subequal, 14th segment longer than penultimate by a half. Thorax elevated, subspherical, pronotum narrow in the middle, granulose, slightly pubescent, mesonotum reticulate, almost shagreened, parapsidal grooves deeply impressed, not quite complete but approaching anterior margin, median longitudinal lines reaching half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings long and very distinct, pleura largely granulose, slightly pubescent above and beneath, aciculate in the middle, scutellum granulose, pubescent, basal foveae large, oval, transverse, and shallow, with smooth, shining bottom, approximate, metathorax shallowly punctate, pubescent. Abdomen long oval, smooth and shining, 2nd segment occupying about half its length, 3rd and 4th segments rather wide, succeeding segments narrow, posterior margins in all oblique, ovipositor sheath exerted, pubescent. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins pale brown, radial cell long, narrow, open at the margin, vein at base angulate, arcolet distinct, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 3.5 mm.

Gall. Moderately large, brownish, hard, globular galls, about 10 mm. in diameter, on twigs of *Quercus agrifolia*, surface microscopically pubescent. Internally composed of a dense, cork-like substance, in which the single larval cell is imbedded.

Habitat. Palo Alto, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

**Callirhytis lasia** Ashm.

*Callirhytis lasius*, Ashmead, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 19 (1896), p. 132.

Female. Pale brownish yellow, legs lighter than body, abdomen dorsally darker, head and thorax pubescent. Head faintly rugose, antennae 14-segmented, 1st segments obconic, 2nd long oval, 3rd segment longest, as long as 1 and 2 together and incised proximally for two-thirds its length, succeeding segments to 9th progressively shorter, 9th and following segments, which are fuscous, subequal, except last, which is longer than penultimate. Thorax closely punctate, punctation rather coarse, parapsidal and median grooves from posterior margin distinct, the former almost complete, median longitudinal lines reaching nearly half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings rather long, scutellum flat, closely punctate, basal foveae transverse and not separated by a carina. Abdomen smooth and shining, 2nd segment occupying less than half its length, pubescent at base, 3rd, 4th and 5th

tergites visible, dorsal and ventral valves with a brush of hairs. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins fairly distinct, radial cell open at margin, short, vein at base arcuate, radius only slightly bent, almost a straight line, areolet present and distinct, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 2 mm.

Gall. Brownish, subglobular, depressed galls on under side of leaves of *Quercus chrysolepis*, 6-7 mm. in diameter, punctate, and covered with pubescence, which is pale brownish tinged with red. Polythalamous.

Habitat. - Stevens Creek Canyon, above Cupertino, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

***Callirhytis quercus-suttoni* (Bass.)**

*Cynips quercus suttoni*, H. F. Bassett, Can. Ent., vol. 13 (1881), p. 51.

*Andricus* (*Callirhytis*) *suttoni*, G. Mayr, Gen. d. Cynip. (1881), p. 28.

*Callirhytis quercus-suttoni*, Dalla Torre and Kieffer, Das Tierreich, lief.

24 Cynipidae (1910), p. 564.

*Callirhytis polythra*, Beutenmüller in litt.

Female. Reddish brown, tips of mandibles, oral margin, antennae distally from 4th segment at joints, prosternum, base of scutellum, metathorax, abdomen dorsally at base, ventral valve and hind tibiae and tarsi black or blackish. Head faintly rugose, face pubescent, eyes narrow, antennae 15-segmented, filiform, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 3rd segment longest, longer than 1 and 2 together and one-half longer than 4th, succeeding segments to 9th progressively shorter, 9th-15th subequal. Pronotum narrow in the middle, mesonotum coriaceous and sparsely punctate, pubescent, parapsidal and median grooves reaching less than half-way to anterior margin, median longitudinal lines and smooth lines over base of wings distinct, pleura pubescent, medially smooth and bare, scutellum rugose and pubescent, a rather broad, arcuate groove at base in place of the usual foveae. Abdomen smooth and shining, second segment occupying less than half its length, pubescent at base, 3rd and 4th segments rather broad, succeeding segments narrow or concealed, ventral valve prominent, ovipositor sheath exerted, pubescent. Legs thickly covered with short hairs. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins brownish, rather faint, radial cell long, narrow, open at the margin, vein at base angulate, areolet distinct, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 3.5 mm.

Gall. Spherical or elongate twig swelling on *Quercus agrifolia*, and *Quercus chrysolepis*, about 20-30 mms. in length and 15-25 mms. in diameter, covered with normal bark and lignous within. Polythalamous, the numerous oval cells lying near the surface.

Habitat. Claremont, Cal. (Baker.)

***Callirhytis vacciniifoliae* Ashm.**

*Callirhytis vacciniifoliae*, Ashmead, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 19 (1896), p. 130.

"Gall. A thin shelled, globular gall, with a central kernel held in place by radiating filaments and closely resembling the gall produced



by *A. inanis* Osten-Sacken, but the average size is smaller and the color of the gall darker. It measures from half an inch to a little over an inch in diameter and is found on *Quercus vaccinifolia* in California.

"Gall-fly. Female. Length, 2 to 3.2 mm. Red or brownish-red (one specimen has the thorax almost black), antennæ and legs brownish yellow, sometimes obfuscated; several terminal joints of the antennæ are dark brown. Head closely punctate; thorax almost smooth; the parapsidal grooves sharply defined, complete, a short median groove posteriorly and the groove on the shoulder indistinct; scutellum rugose, the foveæ large, broad, distinct, and separated only by a carina; mesopleura smooth, polished, the triangular piece beneath tegulæ alone being punctate. The abdomen is longer than the head and thorax together, the segments oblique, the second segment occupies about two-thirds of the whole surface and is a little pubescent at sides near the base, impunctate, some of the short terminal segments a little dusky; spine of ventral valve rather long, hairy. Wings hyaline, pubescent, the veins pale brown; the vein at base of marginal cell is slightly bent, but not angulate, the marginal cell being very long and narrow, arcolet distinct, but the surrounding veins delicate, cubital cell almost closed.

"One of the specimens is but 2 mm. long and of a uniform brownish yellow color, but structurally it does not seem to differ from the others.

"Type No. 3087, U. S. N. M.

"Four specimens, reared October 16, and December 4, 1884, from galls collected by Prof. J. H. Comstock, at Truckee, California, on *Quercus vaccinifolia*." (W. H. Ashmead).

I have not seen examples of this species.

#### ***Callirhytis maculipennis* Kieff.**

*Callirhytis maculipennis*, Kieffer, Bull. Soc. Metz, ser. 2, vol. 11 (1904), p. 131.

*Callirhytis maculipennis*, Kieffer, Invert. Pacif., vol. 1 (1904), p. 42.

"Black, opaque and pubescent. Head rugose, enlarged behind the eyes; front coriaceous, temples longitudinally striated and finely punctured, nearly smooth and shining close behind the eyes. Antennæ brownish-red, the last joints more or less fuscous, 14-jointed, nearly glabrous; second joint hardly longer than thick; the third at least thrice as long as thick, the following joints gradually decreasing in size; joints 9-13 nearly equal, one third longer than thick; the last a little longer than the penultimate. Thorax coarsely rugose; mesonotum irregularly rugose posteriorly between the parapsidal furrows, anteriorly and laterally more or less transversely rugulose; parapsidal furrows complete; the four glabrous lines of the mesonotum are rigid; mesopleura shagreened and smooth; scutellum hardly longer than wide, rugose, with two triangular foveæ at the base and a longitudinal middle furrow in the anterior two-thirds. Metanotum glabrous, shagreened, with three longitudinal carinæ, the lateral ones curved outwards. Wings hyaline, fringed, with a fuscous spot at the base of the radial cell; first abscissa of the radius angulate. Legs brownish red, hind femora and middle part of the hind tibiæ fuscous; claws simple. Abdo-

men smooth, shining, laterally pubescent only at the base of the second segment, longer than the head and the thorax united; second segment one-fourth shorter than the whole abdomen, finely punctulate apically; laterally very sloping; the two following segments also punctulate. Length of female 3.5-4 mm.

"Gall. A bud gall on *Quercus agrifolia*, globular, the diameter 2 mm. or more, whitish, smooth and glabrous, apically with a very small wart; the inner substance is also whitish, somewhat spongy, and contains below the middle several brownish cells which are 4 mm. high and 2 mm. wide.

"This species is allied to the genus *Amphibolips*, from which it is excluded by the tarsal claws being simple." (J. J. Kieffer).

I have examined an example of both gall and gullfly of *C. maculipennis*, kindly furnished by Mr. Baker.

#### *Callirhytis eriophora* Kieff.

*Callirhytis eriophora*, Kieffer, Bull. Soc. Metz, ser. 2, vol. 11 (1904), p. 132.  
*Callirhytis eriophora*, Kieffer, Invert. Pacif., vol. 1 (1904), p. 43.

"Brownish red, opaque, scarcely pubescent, and finely shagreened. Head enlarged behind the eyes. Antennæ 14-jointed, the second joint longer than thick; the third fully thrice as long as thick, scarcely longer than the fourth; the following joints gradually shorter and thicker; the penultimate, one-third longer than thick, shorter than last. Mesonotum nearly glabrous, with four dusky longitudinal stripes, the lateral of which are abbreviated anteriorly, the two others shortened posteriorly; parapsidal furrows not complete, anteriorly obliterated. Scutellum rugose, nearly glabrous, basally with two divergent foveæ. Metanotum black-brown, with two parallel carinæ. Wings hyaline, fringed, the veins brown, the first abscissa of radius angulated. Legs faint yellow; claws simple. Abdomen dark red-brown, above nearly black; the second segment occupying nearly the whole abdomen, very shining, glabrous, posteriorly microscopically punctulate; ventral-spine eight times as long as wide. Length of the female 3-3.2 mm.

"Gall. A bud gall on *Quercus wislizenii*; the gall is rounded, 10 mm. in diameter, the outer portion a yellowish wool-like substance, the inner a globular, ligneous, thin-shelled and monothalamous cell, 4 mm. or more in diameter." (J. J. Kieffer).

I have seen examples of this species, kindly furnished by Mr. Baker.

#### *Callirhytis clarimontis* Kieff.

*Callirhytis clarimontis*, Kieffer, Bull. Soc. Metz, ser. 2, vol. 11 (1904), p. 132.  
*Callirhytis clarimontis*, Kieffer, Invert. Pacif., vol. 1 (1904), p. 43.

"Brownish yellow, finely shagreened and scarcely shining. Head enlarged behind the eyes. Antennæ black-brown apically, 14-jointed; the third joint nearly five times as long as thick, one half longer than the fourth; the following joints gradually decreasing in length, the penultimate one-third longer than thick, the last more than twice as

long as thick. Mesonotum nearly glabrous, with four dusky longitudinal stripes, the two lateral ones abbreviated anteriorly; the parapsidal furrows complete. Scutellum rugose, nearly glabrous, with two divergent foveæ at the base. Metanotum black-brown, with two parallel carinæ. Wings hyaline, fringed, the veins dusky, the first abscissa of the radius angulated. Legs and coxæ faint yellow, claws simple. Abdomen glabrous, highly polished, not punctulate, dorsally more or less black-brown, the second segment surpassing somewhat the middle, laterally very sloping; ventral-spine four to five times as long as wide. Length of the female 3.5-4 mm.

"Gall. The gall of this species was found on *Quercus agrifolia*; it is a bud gall 8 mm. in diameter and more, globular, opaque, yellowish, with some sparse brown spots, glabrous, apically with short and sparse hairs and a small wart; the inner substance is brown, spongy, and encloses a globular, faint yellow, thick-shelled, monothalamous shell 5 mm. in diameter and more; wall of the cell 1.6 mm. thick." (J. J. Kieffer)

I have seen examples of this species, kindly furnished by Mr. Baker.

#### *Callirhytis bakeri* Kieff.

*Callirhytis bakeri*, Kieffer, Bull. Soc. Metz, ser. 2, vol. 11 (1904), p. 132.

*Callirhytis bakeri*, Kieffer, Invert. Pacif., vol. 1 (1904), p. 44.

"Brown-red, shagreened and pubescent. Head enlarged behind the eyes. Antennæ sometimes black-brown apically, 14-jointed; the second joint longer than thick; the third joint four times as long as thick, one-third longer than the fourth; joints 4-6 subequal, the fourth scarcely longer than the fifth, the eight apical joints gradually decreasing in length, the penultimate one-half longer than thick, a little shorter than the last, or sometimes only half the length of the last. Thorax scarcely shining; parapsidal furrows obliterated anteriorly; scutellum rugose, the two basal foveæ black, deep, separated by a small carina and oblique and divergent; postscutellum and metanotum rugose, the two carinæ parallel. Wings hyaline, fringed, veins brown, first abscissa of the radius angulated. Legs and coxæ faint yellow, claws simple. Abdomen black-brown, highly polished and shining, glabrous, longer than the head and the thorax united, the second segment with a pubescent spot on either side at base; these spots occupy the basal three-fourths, the segments are microscopically punctured apically; ventral-spine four times as long as wide. Length of the female 3.8-4 mm.

"Gall. A bud gall on *Quercus crassipocula* [*chrysolepis*]; gall oval, about 13 mm. high and 11 mm. thick, smooth, glabrous, lignous, apically with a thin, longitudinally striated, thick and more or less bent point which is about 8 mm. high and 1.5 mm. thick; proximally with some bud-scales lying close to the base of the gall; the inner substance subspongiose." (J. J. Kieffer).

I have seen examples of this species, kindly furnished by Mr. Baker.

***Callirhytis rossi* Kieff.**

*Callirhytis rossi*, Kieffer, Marcellia, vol. 2 (1903), p. 84.

"Forme Agame. Noir; mandibules, les sept premiers articles antennaires, pattes antérieures, tibias et tarses des pattes intermédiaires, et écailles ferrugineux; scape plus ou moins noirâtre; toutes les hanches noires; fémurs intermédiaires et postérieurs, tibias et tarses des pattes postérieures d'un brun noir. Abdomen d'un brun marron, dessus noir en partie. Vertex avec des rides irrégulières et grossières; face avec des stries rayonnant de la bouche jusqu'au bord des yeux; joues égalant la moitié de la longueur de ces derniers. Mandibules bidentées, aussi larges que longues. Palpes maxillaires composés de quatre articles, dont le premier dépasse de moitié la longueur du second; celui-ci à peine plus long que le troisième, trois fois aussi long que gros; le dernier un peu plus long que le premier et distinctement plus gros. Palpes labiaux composés de trois articles dont le second n'est pas plus long que gros; le premier cylindrique, presque trois fois aussi long que gros; le troisième plus gros que les autres, un peu aminci aux deux bouts, avec une petite nodosité à l'extrémité, deux fois aussi long que gros, à peu près aussi long que le premier. Antennes à peine plus épaisses vers l'extrémité, composées de 14 articles, dont le second est deux fois aussi long que gros; le troisième quatre fois aussi long que gros, un peu plus long que le quatrième; les suivants diminuant graduellement; le douzième et le treizième à peine plus longs que gros, le quatorzième double du treizième. Thorax mat, à peine pubescent; mésopleures avec une tache brillante et lisse; partie inférieure des propleures ridée régulièrement et longitudinalement; pronotum, mesonotum, scutellum et segment médiaire ridés grossièrement et irrégulièrement; sillons parapsidaux percurrents, entre eux se voient deux arêtes parallèles situées dans le tiers antérieur du mesonotum; côtés du mesonotum avec un sillon longitudinal bien apparent. Fosselles du scutellum profondes, très rapprochées à leur base. Segment médiaire avec deux arêtes faiblement convergentes et circonscrivant une aire traversée par une arête en forme de T; côtés du segment médiaire avec une dent distincte. Crochets des tarsi simples, à peine aussi longs que la palette. Ailes antérieures faiblement enfumées dans leur tiers apical, avec une tache d'un brun marron à l'angle basal interne de la même cellule; nervure sous-scostale marquée de brun noir à l'endroit de l'insertion de la basale; bord cilié; cellule radiale peu longue, ouverte à la merge, largement aussi à la base et faiblement au sommet; première partie du radius arquée, au moins aussi longue que la partie apicale de la sous-costale; aréole distincte; nervures d'un brun clair, base du cubitus peu marquée. Ailes inférieures hyalines, avec une nervure sous-costale, une basale s'étendant des crochets fréniaux au bord postérieur et une médiane s'arrêtant à la basale. Abdomen avec une large tache de pubescence de chaque côté de sa base, avec sept segments distincts, aussi long que la tête et le thorax réunis; second segment occupant la moitié de la longueur de l'abdomen; bord postérieur des six premiers segments finement et

densément pointillé; après la mort, à moins que les insectes n'aient été tués dans l'alcool, le second segment atteint presque l'extrémité abdominale, et ne laisse à découvert qu'un mince bord des deux segments suivants. Spinule ventrale trois fois aussi longue que large. Taille ♀ 4 à 5 mm.

"Oeuf presque globuleux, un peu plus long que gros, atteignant la cinquième de la longueur de son pédicelle.

"Galle. On trouve la galle de cet insecte sur un Chêne à feuilles caduques et légèrement pubescent sur le dessous, à jeunes rameaux tomenteux de blanc. [*Quercus chrysolepis*?] Elle est formée au dépens d'un bourgeon axillaire; comme celle de *Cynips toza* Bosc., elle chevauche sur le rameau qui, pour l'unique exemplaire que j'ai reçu, était gros de 3 mm. Sa forme est sphérique, sa couleur d'un jaune brunâtre, son diamètre de 40 mm., sa surface couverte d'aspérités surtout dans la moitié supérieure; ces aspérités atteignent au maximum 1 mm. en hauteur et sont souvent confluentes de façon à former des carènes ou des rides irrégulières, longitudinales ou transversales. Au pôle supérieur, la galle se prolonge en une pointe conique, haute de 5 mm., large d'autant à sa base, ligneuse, et striée longitudinalement. L'intérieur est spongieux comme chez celle de *Cynips toza*, avec le centre ligneux; cette partie ligneuse et très dure, dont le diamètre mesure 18 mm., renferme de nombreuses cellules larvaires séparées l'une de l'autre par une paroi épaisse de 0.60 à 1 mm., longues de 3.5 à 4 mm. et larges de 2 mm. Chacune de ces cellules renferme une galle interne de même forme, étroitement appliquée au tissu environnant, mais d'un gris jaunâtre un peu plus clair, se détachant assez facilement et à paroi extrêmement mince et fragile. Eclosion en mai de la seconde année. J'ai obtenu 19 Cynipides d'une seule galle.

"Patrie. Californie. L'unique exemplaire m'a été envoyé par M. le docteur Ross, à qui l'insecte est dédié." (J. J. Kieffer.)

I have not seen examples of this species.

#### *Callirhytis nigra* n. sp.

Female. Black, ocelli, antennae, tegulae, legs and ovipositor sheath brown. Head broad and thin, microscopically reticulate, face and cheeks pubescent, antennae 13-segmented, incrassate at tip, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 2nd oval, about one-half of 1st, 3rd and 1st segments subequal, 4th-6th a little shorter, 7th and following segments shorter and subequal, except the last, which is twice as long as penultimate and a little longer than 3rd; all the segments more or less pubescent. Pronotum narrow in the middle, sides deeply punctate, each puncture bearing a hair, mesonotum coriaceous-reticulate, almost smooth and shining, parapsidal grooves distinct and complete, median longitudinal lines not reaching half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings distinct, mesopleura smooth and shining, aciculate above, pubescent beneath, scutellum deeply rugose, basal foveae oval, deep, with smooth, shining bottom, approximate. Abdomen smooth and shining, much compressed apically, 2nd segment occupying about half its length, its posterior margin oblique, 3rd and 4th segments nar-

low, ventral valve oblique and extending upwards to dorsal line, ovipositor sheath protruding slightly and pubescent. Legs covered with pubescence. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins faint, brownish, radial cell long, open at the margin, vein at base arcuate, areolet and cubitus indistinct. Length 1.75 mm.

Gall. An irregular swelling or enlargement of the terminal twigs of *Quercus lobata*, subglobular, 15 mm. x 12 mm., apparently monothalamous.

Habitat. San Jose, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

***Callirhytis guadaloupensis* n. sp.**

Female. Yellowish brown to reddish brown, one specimen with the head, pronotum, median stripe on mesonotum, scutellum, metanotum and abdomen darker; tips of mandibles, ocelli, basal region of antennæ, pecten, tibiae, tarsi and caudal aspect of femora black or blackish. Head closely punctate, pubescent, antennæ 14-segmented, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 3rd segment long, longer than 1 and 2 together, 4th to 8th segments progressively shorter, following segments subequal, except last, which is twice penultimate. Thorax rugose and partially pubescent, parapsidal grooves on mesonotum reaching half-way to anterior margin, median longitudinal lines and smooth lines over base of wings distinct, the former extending less than half-way to posterior margin, scutellum pointed, deeply rugose and pubescent, basal foveæ inconspicuous, pleura rugose and pubescent. Abdomen smooth, six tergites visible, the second occupying less than one-third the entire length, pubescent at base, dorsal and ventral valves pubescent, tips with tufts of hair. Wings small and narrow, veins heavy, outer third of cubitus not reaching margin, the basal portion of which is hairy, areolet distinct, basal third of cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 2.5 mm.

Gall (Pl. XXIII, fig. 4). Hard, smooth, flat, disc-shaped galls on under side of leaves of *Quercus chrysolepis*, 5-6 mm. in diameter apparently monothalamous.

Habitat. Guadalupe, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

***Callirhytis sanctæ-clarae* n. sp.**

Female. Reddish brown, eyes, tips of mandibles and ocelli black, legs yellowish brown. Head faintly rugoso-punctate, pubescent, antennæ 14-segmented, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 3rd segment long, a little longer than 1 and 2 together, succeeding segments to 9th progressively shorter, 9th and following segments subequal, except the last, which is a little longer than penultimate. Thorax rugoso-punctate, parapsidal grooves on mesonotum distinct, extending half-way to anterior margin, median longitudinal lines reaching half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings distinct, mesopleura almost bare, upper portion closely and finely punctate, lower portion aciculate, scutellum rugoso-punctate, basal foveæ large, shallow, with smooth, shining bottom, approximate, separated only by a carina,

metanotum pubescent. Abdomen smooth, shining, very much compressed, 2nd segment occupying more than two-thirds its length, posterior margin finely punctate, ventral valve conspicuous, paler than the rest of the abdomen, dorsal valve darker and pubescent, ovipositor sheath conspicuously exerted. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins distinct, yellowish, radial cell open at the margin, vein at base arcuate almost angulate, areolet distinct, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 3-3.5 mm.

Gall (Pl. XXIII, fig. 5). Acorn galls at the tip of leafy twigs of *Quercus chrysolepis*. 15 mms. long, and double, the basal portion smaller, and telescoped in the upper portion; rugose and covered with a whitish bloom. Monothalamous.

Habitat. Stevens Creek Canyon, above Cupertino, Cal (R. W. Patterson.)

#### 9 SYNERGUS Hartig.

Synergus (part.), T. Hartig, Zeits. f. Ent., vol. 2 (1840), p. 186, 197.

Face radiately striated, clypeus imperceptible or nearly so, subdorsal frontal grooves always present, usually long. Antennae 13-15 segmented in female, 14-15 segmented in male, distally from 3rd segment in female filiform, in male often thickened, 3rd segment often strongly emarginate basally and distally more or less thick. Mesonotum shagreened, very often transversely wrinkled, parapsidal grooves complete, scutellum with basal foveæ. Abdomen compressed, 1st segment or petiole longitudinally striate, tergite of the 2nd segment greatly enlarged and covering the greater part of the abdomen, or in the male obscuring it, 2nd and 3rd tergites joined without suture and enclosing following segments. Radial cell closed, short. Claws bidentate. Ventral valve short. Inquilines in galls on *Quercus*.

#### *Synergus agrifoliae* Ashm.

*Synergus agrifoliae*, Ashmead, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 23 (1896), p. 189.

"Female. Length 2-2.4 mm. Brownish yellow, the legs and coxae paler, the metathorax dusky; ocelli, eyes and mandibles black, or brown-black. The face and pleura are finely striated, head and thorax finely minutely rugose, pubescent, the parapsidal furrows wanting, the foveæ of scutellum small, shallow, hardly apparent; antennae 13-jointed, flagellar joints 2 and 3 equal, little shorter than the first. The abdomen is not quite as long as the head and thorax combined, slightly compressed, and vertically it is almost as wide as long with the tips sometimes dusky. Wings hyaline, pubescent, the veins pale or hyaline, the areolet distinct, but the closing vein very delicate; in two specimens it is absent.

"The male is but 1.5 mm. long, and, excepting the black eyes and ocelli, entirely brownish yellow.

"Habitat. Los Angeles, California.

"Described from thirteen specimens, bred by Mr. Albert Koebel, from a gall not unlike *Neuroterus saltatorius* Edw., occurring on *Quercus agrifolia*." (W. H. Ashmead.)

I have not seen examples of this species.

**Synergus brevicornis** Ashm.

*Synergus brevicornis*, Ashmead, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 23 (1896), p. 189.

"Female. Length 2.8-3 mm. Stature similar to *S. læviventris*, but the sculpture of the thorax is more rugose, the abdomen proportionately shorter, the ventral valve projects slightly, and the antennæ reach back only two-thirds the length of thorax. Vertex of head, thorax and abdomen black; orbits, cheeks, face, antennæ and legs, brownish yellow, the depth of color often varying; middle and posterior coxæ black, the front pair often dusky basally, posterior femora often more or less clouded; antennæ 13-jointed, filiform, the 3rd joint one-third longer than 1th; face and mesopleura rather coarsely striated; scutellum rounded, depressed at base with two distinct foveæ; the grooves of the mesonotum rounded, almost obsolete by the coarse sculpture. Abdomen highly polished, the second segment entirely hiding all the others and gaping open at apex, in consequence the ventral valve projects, is brownish and armed with a slight spine. Wings hyaline, pubescent, the veins pale, the submarginal and marginal veins brownish apically; areolet large, closed, the cubital cell only partially closed.

"The male is but 1.8 mm. long, with the head wholly, except stemmaticum, and the legs, including coxæ, brownish yellow. The antennæ are short, 15-jointed, the 3rd joint long, strongly excised, the apical joint brown.

"Habitat. Eldorado County, California." (W. H. Ashmead).

I have not seen examples of this species.

**Synergus flavus** Kieff.

*Synergus flavus*, Kieffer, Bull. Soc. Metz, ser. 2, vol. 11 (1904), p. 133.

*Synergus flavus*, Kieffer, Invert. Pacif., vol. 1 (1904), p. 45.

"Pale yellow or reddish yellow; head distinctly broader than the thorax, without carinæ; front and vertex smooth, face and cheeks paler yellow. Antennæ of the male 15-jointed, the two to three last joints more dusky; second joint longer than thick; the third scarcely longer than the fourth, faintly emargined outwardly; the fourth twice as long as thick; the following ones gradually becoming shorter; the penultimate joint is a little longer than thick, shorter than the last and all are very slender; antennæ of the female 14-jointed, filiform and slender; the third joint fully thrice as long as thick, the following gradually decreasing in size, the penultimate only one-third longer than thick, shorter than the last. Mesonotum finely coriaceous; mesopleura very finely longitudinally striated; scutellum brownish red, rugose, the usual foveæ small, not very distinct, separated by a small carina. Metanotum brown or black-brown, the carinæ parallel. Wings hyaline, veins brownish. Tarsal claws simple. Petiole of abdomen black, coarsely longitudinally striated; the second segment reaching to the apex of the abdomen, smooth and not punctured.

"Bred from galls of *Callirhytis maculipennis*; the guests live in the spongy substance of the gall, outside of the cells, and do not hinder the development of the gall makers." (J. J. Kieffer).

I have seen examples of this species, kindly furnished by Mr. Baker.



**Synergus dimorphus O.-S.**

*Synergus dimorphus*, Osten-Sacken, Proc. Ent. Soc. Philad., vol. 4 (1865), p. 376.

*Synergus dimorphus*, Gillette, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 23 (1896), p. 86, 87.

Female. Black, antennæ, ocelli, face on anterior margin, mandible basally, genæ and orbital margins, tegulæ, legs (except coxæ) and ovipositor sheath yellowish brown, tips of antennæ and tarsi fuscous. Head faintly reticulate, face radiately striate, antennæ 14-segmented, 1st segment stout, 2nd slender and oval, 3rd longest, slightly longer than either 4 and 5, following segments progressively shorter, except the last, which is somewhat longer than penultimate. Pronotum wide in the middle, rugose, mesonotum transversely wrinkled (some specimens without transverse folds, rugose), parapsidal grooves incomplete, extending less than half-way to anterior margin, median longitudinal lines not reaching the middle, smooth lines over base of wings distinct, mesopleura transversely aciculate, with a triangular smooth patch beneath wing, scutellum deeply rugose, foveæ indistinct, small, oval and approximate, separated by a median carina; pronotum, mesonotum and scutellum sparsely covered with silvery pubescence. Abdomen smooth and shining, vertical and horizontal dimensions almost equal, tergal line from the side almost straight, sternal line semicircular, 2nd tergite wholly obscuring the following segments, posterior margin faintly punctate. Wings hyaline, pubescent, radial, subcostal, basal and 2nd transverse veins black, heavy, others faint, radial cell short, closed, vein at base slightly arcuate, areolet indistinct, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 2.25-2.5 mm.

Male. Black, tips of mandibles, palpi, antennæ (except distally infuscated basal segments), legs (except trochanters and coxæ), ventral margin of abdomen and a transverse basal band brown. Head rugose and finely reticulate, antennæ 15-segmented, reaching middle of abdomen, 3rd and 4th segments subequal, 3rd longer than 1 and 2 together, incised at base, following segments progressively shorter to last. Thorax coarsely rugose, mesonotum transversely wrinkled, parapsidal grooves complete and deeply impressed, median longitudinal lines distinct, posterior margin of abdomen punctate. Wings hyaline, pubescent, areolet distinct, cubitus nearly reaching basal vein. Length 3.5 mm.

Bred from galls of *Cynips multipunctata* on *Quercus lobata*.

Habitat. Stevens Creek Canyon, above Cupertino, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

**Synergus oneratus oneratus (W. Harr.)**

*Cynips oneratus*, T. W. Harris, Treat. Ins. N. Eng. (1842), p. 398.

*Synergus oneratus*, B. D. Walsh, Proc. Ent. Soc. Philad., vol. 2 (1864), p. 488, 498.

*Synergus oneratus oneratus*, Dalla Torre and Kieffer, Das Tierreich, lici. 24 Cynipidae (1910), p. 632.

Female. Yellowish brown, legs and face light yellowish brown, eyes, ocelli, tips of mandibles, prosternum, pecten, mesopleura beneath, metathorax apically and hind tarsi black; pubescent. Head faintly

rugose and sparsely punctate, punctation in the form of irregularly scattered shallow pits, face pubescent, radiately striate, antennæ 14-segmented, 1st segment large, 2nd subglobular, 3rd and 4th segments subequal, as long as 1 and 2 together, 5th and succeeding segments to 11th progressively shorter, 11th to 14th subequal. Pronotum wide in the middle, rugose, mesonotum transversely wrinkled, parapsidal grooves distinct, extending half-way to anterior margin, median longitudinal lines not reaching the middle, mesopleura coarsely aciculate, with a triangular smooth patch beneath wings, scutellum coarsely rugose, almost coarsely reticulate, basal foveæ transversely elongate, shallow, smooth and shining at bottom, approximate, metanotum rugose. Abdomen smooth and shining, 2nd tergite completely obscuring the following segments, posterior margin microscopically punctate, apex dorsally black, dorsal valve prominent, pubescent, ovipositor protruding. Wings hyaline, pubescent, a few of the veins heavy and black, the others faint, radial cell closed, very short, vein at base not much curved, areolet small and indistinct, veins enclosing it almost obliterated, cubitus not reaching basal vein and very faint. Length 2-3 mm.

Male. Black, antennæ, face beneath antennæ and around eyes, ocelli, tegulæ, coxæ, trochanters, femora, tibiæ largely, and abdomen on posterior margin brownish or pale brown; sparsely pubescent. Head reticulate, faintly punctate, face radiately striate, antennæ 15-segmented, all the segments conspicuously grooved or channeled, 3rd and 4th segments subequal, longer than 1 and 2 together, succeeding segments to 11th progressively shorter, 11th and following segments subequal. Thorax coarsely rugose, mesonotum transversely ridged, parapsidal grooves indistinct, almost wholly obliterated by the coarseness of sculpture, pleura coarsely aciculate, small median patch smooth, scutellum coarsely rugose, almost coarsely reticulate, smooth and shining beneath rugæ, foveæ large, oval and shallow, with smooth bottoms, separated only by a carina, metanotum rugose. Abdomen smooth and shining, 2nd tergite completely obscuring following segments, posterior margin microscopically punctate. Wings hyaline, pubescent, costal, subcostal, radial and basal veins heavy, black, others faint, radial cell closed, areolet small, indistinct, cubital vein faint and not reaching basal, vein at base of radial cell almost straight. Length 1.5-2 mm.

Bred from galls of *Holocaspis eldoradensis* on *Quercus lobata*.

Habitat. Jasper Ridge, near Stanford University, Cal.  
(R. W. Patterson.)

#### ***Synergus punctatus* Gillette.**

*Synergus punctatus*, Gillette, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 23 (1896), p. 90, 94.

Female. Black, the ocelli, face anteriorly, antennæ, tegulæ, pedicel, abdomen anteriorly and posteriorly and legs brown; sparsely pubescent. Head faintly reticulate, shining, face radiately striate, antennæ 14-segmented, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 3rd long, about as long as 1 and 2 together and longer than 4th, succeeding segments to 10th progressively

shorter, 10th and following segments subequal, except last, which is longer than the penultimate, all longitudinally grooved or channeled and pubescent. Pronotum broad in the middle, rugose, mesonotum transversely wrinkled, folds rather shallow, parapsidal grooves reaching less than half-way to anterior margin, median longitudinal lines and smooth lines over base of wings distinct, mesopleura aciculate, triangular patch beneath wings smooth and shining, scutellum deeply rugose, foveæ large, circular shallow, metathorax almost smooth. Abdomen smooth and shining, 2nd tergite completely obscuring following segments, pubescent at base, posterior margin punctate, sheath of ovipositor conspicuous, pubescent. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins basally heavy, black, radial cell closed, short, vein at base only slightly bent, arcolet subobsolete, only one of its enclosing veins distinct, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 1.25 mm.

Bred from galls of *Holcaspis eldoradensis* on *Quercus lobata*.

Habitat. Jasper Ridge, near Stanford University, Cal.  
(R. W. Patterson.)

***Synergus ochreus* n. sp.**

Female. Brown, the legs and face light brown, eyes, ocelli, tips of mandibles, pecten, dorsal vitta on abdomen, ventral valve and tips of tarsi black. Head rugose, face radiately striate, subdorsal striae from base of antennæ to ocelli and continued around eyes, antennæ 15-segmented, 1st segment stout, obconic, 2nd narrowly ovate, half the length of the 1st, 3rd-6th subequal, one-third longer than 1st, 7th-9th progressively shorter, 10th and following segments subequal. Pronotum wide in the middle, transversely rugose, pubescent, mesonotum transversely wrinkled or folded, parapsidal grooves complete, widely separated, obscured by transverse folds, a median longitudinal groove posteriorly reaches half-way to anterior margin, median longitudinal lines short, smooth lines over base of wings distinct, mesopleura transversely aciculate and shining, pubescent above and below, scutellum cushion-shaped, rounded posteriorly, faintly rugose and punctate, each puncture bearing a hair, basal foveæ large, circular or transversely oval and shallow, bottom punctate, shining, pubescent. Abdomen compressed, smooth and shining, 2nd tergite reaching apex and almost wholly obscuring following segments, faintly but broadly punctate on posterior margin, ventral valve reaching line of the tergum, black. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins, excepting anal and cubital, heavy, brown, radial cell short, closed, vein at base slightly arcuate, arcolet absent, veins on two sides and basal abscissa of cubitus scarcely visible. Length 3.5 mm.

Bred from galls of *Cynips multipunctata* on *Quercus lobata*.

Habitat. Stevens Creek Canyon, above Cupertino, Cal.  
(R. W. Patterson.)

**Synergus niger** n. sp.

Female. Black, antennae, ocelli, tips of mandibles, tegulae, legs (except hind coxae basally), abdomen on ventral and posterior margin, and ovipositor brown, last segment of antennae fuscous. Head broad, smooth and shining, microscopically reticulate, face radiately striate except in a circular smooth patch above mouth, antennae 14-segmented, rather stout, 1st and 2nd segments stouter than those following, 3rd segment longest, longer than 4th but not as long as 1 and 2 together, following segments progressively shorter, except last, which is much longer than penultimate. Thorax smooth and shining, pronotum broad in the middle, microscopically coriaceous-reticulate, pubescent, mesonotum finely sculptured and punctate, each puncture bearing a hair, parapsidal grooves incomplete, reaching about the middle, median longitudinal groove coextensive, median longitudinal lines extending less than half-way to posterior margin, smooth lines over base of wings distinct, mesopleura smooth and shining, transversely aciculate in middle, pubescent beneath, scutellum deeply rugose, foveae large, subcircular and shallow, with smooth, shining bottom, contiguous, separated by a carina, metanotum smooth, punctate and pubescent. Abdomen smooth and shining, 2nd tergite extending to apical margin and almost wholly obscuring the following segments, nearly as long as head and thorax together, but not wide, line of the tergum only slightly arcuate, ovipositor sheath exerted. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins brown, only subcostal, radial and basal nervures distinct, radial cell closed, vein at base slightly arcuate, areolet indistinct or absent, cubitus indistinct. Length 1.75-2 mms.

Male. Differs in having 15-segmented antennae and the head brown below base of antennae, on cheeks and on orbital margin.

Bred from a bud gall on *Quercus lobata*.

Habitat. Stanford University, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

**Synergus splendidus** n. sp.

Female. Reddish brown, the eyes, tips of mandibles, occiput dorsally and front almost to base of antennae except a narrow orbital margin, antennae basally, pronotum in the middle, pecten, mesopleura basally, mesonotum, scutellum, metathorax, 1st abdominal segment and dorsal ridge of 2nd tergite basally black. Head broad and thick, eyes bulging, microscopically reticulate, face radiately striate, pubescent, antennae 15-segmented, 1st and 2nd segments stout, obconic, touched with black, 3rd segment longest, a little longer than 4th but not as long as 1 and 2 together, following segments progressively shorter, the last, which is fuscous, not much longer than penultimate. Pronotum wide in the middle, rugose and microscopically coriaceous-reticulate, covered with short appressed hairs, mesonotum rugose and distinctly transversely wrinkled, parapsidal grooves complete, median longitudinal lines widely separated and not reaching the middle, smooth lines over base of wings distinct, mesopleura transversely aciculate, pubescent beneath, scutellum rugose, basal foveae small, oval, smooth at bottom,

approximate, separated only by a carina, metathorax smooth and covered with short appressed hairs. Abdomen longer than head and thorax together, greatly compressed, smooth and shining, 2nd and 3rd tergites connate, reaching apical margin, incised dorsally at apex for one-third the length, exposing the following segments, posterior margin of all the segments minutely punctate, ovipositor sheath projecting obliquely from venter and reaching line of the tergum, ovipositor exerted. Wings hyaline and clothed with rather long, erect hairs, veins distinct and fuscous, radial cell short, closed, vein at base slightly arcuate, arcolelet small, cubital vein reaching basal. Length 5 mm.

Found in jar with galls from *Quercus lobata*.

Habitat. California.

***Synergus multiplicatus* n. sp.**

Female. Black, the ocelli, face anteriorly, genæ, orbital margin and margin of occiput, antennæ, pronotum (except medially), mesopleura and legs (except hind tibiæ and tarsi) yellowish to reddish brown. Head broad, width twice length, coarsely rugoso-punctate, transversely rugose on vertex, antennæ 14-segmented, 1st and 2nd segments obconic, 3rd segment longest, as long as 1 and 2 together and longer than 4th by a half, 5th and following segments progressively shorter, except the last, which is nearly twice as long as penultimate, with fuscous tip. Thorax rugose, mesonotum transversely wrinkled, parapsidal grooves complete, median longitudinal lines and smooth lines over base of wings distinct, mesopleura coarsely aciculate, with small triangular patch beneath wing smooth, fuscous beneath and pubescent, scutellum coarsely rugose, almost coarsely reticulate, foveæ longitudinal, oblique and shallow, bottom rough, not exactly approximate. Abdomen smooth, 2nd and 3rd tergites connate, covering the greater part of the abdomen, 4th tergite narrow posteriorly, all traced with microscopic reticulation, dorsal valve and sheath of ovipositor projecting slightly and pubescent. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins brownish to black, radial cell closed, vein at base arcuate, arcolelet small, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 1.75-3 mm.

Male. Similar to female except legs infusate, metanotum black, connate 2nd and 3rd tergites obscuring following segments, brownish on posterior margin and punctate, face yellowish brown instead of reddish brown, length about 2 mm.

Bred from galls of *Cynips kelloggi* on *Quercus douglasi*.

Habitat. Jasper Ridge, near Stanford University, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.) Frohm, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.) Pasc Robles, Cal. (John Morehouse.) San Jose, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

**Synergus varicolor** n. sp.

Female. Black, thorax mixed with brown, antennæ (except tip), face below antennæ, genæ, orbital margin broadly, tegulæ, abdomen on ventral and posterior margins and legs wholly brown. Head reticulate, face radiately striate, slightly pubescent, antennæ 14-segmented, 3rd segment longest, longer than 4th, 4th-6th subequal, following segments progressively shorter, except the last, which is a little longer than penultimate. Pronotum wide in the middle, mesonotum rugoso-punctate, pubescent, parapsidal grooves incomplete, reaching half-way to anterior margin, median longitudinal lines and smooth lines over base of wings distinct, mesopleura aciculate anteriorly, posteriorly smooth and shining, scutellum deeply rugose, basal foveæ large, oval, and shallow, bottom rough, contiguous, separated by a carina. Abdomen highly polished, 2nd and 3rd tergites connate, wholly obscuring following segments, line of the tergum only slightly curved, sternal line semicircular, only tip of ovipositor, which is brown, protruding. Wings hyaline, pubescent, radial cell closed, areolet and basal part of cubitus rather indistinct. Length 2.5 mm.

Male. Differs in having 15-segmented antennæ and the head almost entirely, prothorax, mesonotum, mesopleura and ventral and posterior margin of abdomen brown.

Bred from galls of *Callirhytis pomiformis* on *Quercus agrifolia*.

Habitat. Stanford University, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

**Synergus maculatus** n. sp.

Female. Yellowish brown, the eyes, ocelli, tips of mandibles, prosternum, metathorax and abdomen dorsally at apex black. Head finely punctate, face radiately striate, antennæ 14-segmented, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 3rd segment longest, slightly longer than 4th, succeeding segments to 10th progressively shorter, 11th-13th subequal, last somewhat longer than penultimate. Thorax faintly punctate and pubescent, parapsidal grooves incomplete, reaching half-way to anterior margin, scutellum rugose, foveæ indistinct. Abdomen as long as head and thorax together, elliptical when viewed from above, oval as seen from the side, smooth and shining, 2nd and 3rd tergites connate, reaching apex, and almost completely obscuring following segments, dorsal valve and ovipositor sheath conspicuous, slightly protruding. Wings hyaline, veins faint, areolet distinct, faint on two sides, radial cell closed. Length 1.75 mm.

The male differs in having stout 15-segmented antennæ and more black on abdomen dorsally.

Bred from a small, yellowish-brown, depressed globular gall, about 2 mms. in diameter, on upper surface of leaves of *Quercus agrifolia*.

Habitat. Stanford University, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

**Synergus dubiosus** n. sp.

Female. Yellowish brown, eyes, tips of mandibles, occiput dorsally continued on to vertex and front almost to the base of the antennæ, with the exception of a narrow strip on eye, pronotum in the middle, pecten, pleura beneath, mesonotum, scutellum and metathorax entirely, pedicel and abdomen dorsally almost to apex black. Head faintly rugose, sparsely and shallowly punctate on vertex, face radiately striate, antennæ 14-segmented, thick but filiform, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 3rd segment long, as long as 1 and 2 together, 3rd-5th subequal, 6th and following segments progressively shorter to last. Pronotum faintly rugose, closely punctate, clothed with short, appressed, whitish pubescence, parapsidal grooves incomplete, reaching more than half-way to anterior margin, median longitudinal lines and smooth lines over base of wings distinct, mesopleura transversely aciculate, scutellum deeply rugose, basal foveæ large, oval and shallow, bottom rough, contiguous, separated by a median carina. Abdomen short, not quite as long as the thorax, smooth and shining, 2nd and 3rd tergites connate, completely concealing following segments, elliptical from above, triangular from side, posterior margin truncate and narrowly punctate. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins black, radial cell closed, arcole distinct, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 4 mm.

The male has 15-segmented antennæ.

Bred from galls of *Callirhytis pomiformis* on *Quercus agrifolia*.

Habitat. Stanford University, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

**10 CEROPTRES** Hartig.

Ceroptres, T. Hartig, Zeits. f. Ent., vol. 2 (1840), p. 186, 197.

Face with two parallel ridges from insertion of antennæ to clypeus, beyond these striate, antennæ in female 12-14 segmented, distally thickened, in male 15-segmented, sometimes 14-segmented. Parapsidal grooves usually not reaching anterior margin of mesonotum, scutellum with two basal foveæ. 2nd and 3rd tergites more or less connate, covering nearly the entire abdomen. Radial cell closed, ventral valve short, claws bidentate. Inquilines in galls on *Quercus*.

**Ceroptres pomiformis** Ashm.

Ceroptres pomiformis, Ashmead, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 12 (1885), p. 300.

"Male. Length .05 inch. Slender, head yellowish brown, with a dark brown blotch enclosing ocelli; eyes brown; antennæ 15-jointed, yellowish, with the apical third brown; thorax black, finely pubescent; abdomen bright yellowish brown, infuscated towards tip; wings hyaline, veins yellow, radial area closed, narrow.

"This pretty little species is described from two specimens bred from gall of *Andricus pomiformis* Bass., sent to me from California." (W. H. Ashmead).

I have not seen examples of this species.

**Ceroptres dorsalis** Prov.

*Ceroptres dorsalis*, Provancher, Addit. Hym. Quebec (1888), p. 398.

"♀ Long. .18 pce. D'un beau jaune-miel, avec les yeux, une tache sur le vertex, le lobe médian du mésonotum, le métanotum et une ligne sur le dos des premiers segments de l'abdomen, noir. Les mandibules noires à l'extrémité. Les antennes avec les pattes, jaune sans aucune tache. La face fortement striée et d'un jaune plus pâle. Ailes hyalines, à nervures brunes, légèrement velues, la radiale fermée en avant. Abdomen comprimé, à tarière redressée, dépassant la ligne du dos. Los Angeles (Coquillett).

"Superbe espèce, bien remarquable par sa taille.

"♂ Même coloration que dans la ♀, mais très remarquable par son deuxième segment abdominal qui se développe en une double écaille dépassant l'extrémité de l'abdomen et se prolongeant en dessous d'au moins le double de l'épaisseur des autres segments." (L. Provancher.)

I have not seen examples of this species.

**Ceroptres niger** n. sp.

Female. Black, femora distally, tarsi, oral margin and sheath of ovipositor brown; somewhat pubescent. Head faintly reticulate and shining, face striate, pubescent, antennæ 13-segmented, 3rd segment as long as 1 and 2 together, longer than 4th, succeeding segments to 10th progressively shorter, 10th and following segments subequal, except the last, which is twice as long as penultimate. Pronotum wide in the middle, rugose, mesonotum faintly reticulate and shining, parapsidal grooves not reaching anterior margin, mesopleura aciculate, a median patch smooth and shining, scutellum coarsely rugose, almost coarsely reticulate, foveæ transverse, large, oval and shallow, with smooth bottom, widely separated. Abdomen smooth and shining, 2nd tergite reaching more than half-way to apex and pubescent at base, 3rd tergite rather wide, 4th and 5th narrow, faintly punctate on posterior margin, ovipositor sheath exerted, dorsal valve conspicuous and pubescent. Legs clothed with pubescence. Wings hyaline, pubescent, radial cell closed, short, basal vein not much curved, areolet present but enclosing veins indistinct, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 1.5 mm.

Bred from galls of *Holcaspis eldoradensis* on *Quercus lobata*.

Habitat. Jasper Ridge, near Stanford University, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

11 **PERICLISTUS** Forst.

Aylax (part.), T. Hartig, Zeits. f. Ent., vol. 2 (1840), p. 186, 195.

Periclistus, A. Forster, Verh. Zool. Ges. Wien, vol. 19 Abb. (1869), p. 332, 337.

Face radiately striate, antennæ filiform, in female usually 12-segmented, in male 14-segmented, mesonotum faintly rugoso-punctate and pubescent, parapsidal grooves complete or sometimes not reaching anterior margin, scutellum with two transverse basal foveæ, 1st abdominal segment or petiole deeply striate, 2nd and 3rd tergites connate, covering a large part of the abdomen. Radial cell short, closed. Inquilines in different galls.



***Periclistus californicus* Ashm.**

*Periclistus californicus*, Ashmead, Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., vol. 23 (1896), p. 188.

"Male and female. Length 2-2.4 mm. Similar to *P. smilacis*, the punctuation finer, the pubescence denser, antennæ dark brown. Legs reddish yellow, sometimes obfuscated, the middle and posterior coxæ black, shining. The parapsidal grooves are only distinct on the posterior half of the mesonotum, entirely wanting anteriorly, and there is no distinct grooved line on the shoulders, while the short anterior median grooves are wanting; scutellum rugose, foveæ large, distinct, oblique; mesopleura smooth, highly polished. Wings hyaline, pubescent, iridescent, veins brown, the areolet large, cubital and marginal cells closed. Abdomen densely black, highly polished.

"Described from nine specimens, labelled No. 125, reared during July, 1886, by Mr. Albert Koebele, from *Rhodites polita* Ashm. and numerous other specimens labelled No. 3839, reared at the Department during January and February, 1886, from the same gall collected in Wyoming and Colorado," (W. H. Ashmead).

I have not seen examples of this species. Doubtfully Californian.

***Periclistus obliquus* Prov.**

*Periclistus obliquus*, Provancher, Addit. Hym. Quebec (1888), p. 397.

"♀ Long. .10 pce. D'un jaune sale avec une tache au métathorax, les jambes postérieures, surtout à l'extrémité, et l'abdomen en plus ou moins grande partie, noir. La face non striée. Les sillons parapsidaux obliques, se rapprochant en arrière. La radiale ouverte en avant, le radius atteignant le bord costal, l'areole incomplète. Abdomen presque entièrement noir; la tarière saillante, l'écaille ventrale terminée en pointe fine. Los Angeles (Coquillett)." (L. Provancher).

I have not seen examples of this species.

***Periclistus piceus* n. sp.**

Female. Piceous black, mandibles, tegulæ, femora, tibiæ, tarsi (except at tips), ovipositor and ovipositor sheath brown or brownish. Head microscopically coriaceous-reticulate and pubescent, densely pubescent on face below antennæ and cheeks, antennæ 12-segmented, filiform, 1st segment obconic, 2nd subglobose, stout, 3rd segment as long as 1 and 2 together, 3rd-6th subequal, following segments progressively shorter, except the last, which is more than twice as long as penultimate. Pronotum and mesonotum faintly rugose, thickly clothed with appressed, whitish hairs, pronotum wide in the middle, parapsidal grooves on mesonotum incomplete, reaching less than half-way to anterior margin, median longitudinal lines and lines over base of wings inconspicuous, mesopleura smooth and shining, pubescent above and beneath, scutellum deeply rugose, pubescent, basal foveæ small, circular, shallow, with smooth bottom, contiguous, separated by a carina, metanotum pubescent. Abdomen smooth and shining, 2nd tergite covering the greater part of the abdomen, following tergites very narrow, posterior margin pubescent, ventral valve conspicuous, tuberculate,

sheath of ovipositor projecting upward obliquely to line of tergum. Legs pubescent. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins fuscous, distinct, radial cell short, closed, vein at base slightly arcuate, areolet distinct, cubitus not reaching basal vein. Length 2.5 mm.

Male. Similar to female, but antennæ 14-segmented, 3rd segment basally emargined, parapsidal grooves in many specimens apparently complete, pubescence more or less sparse.

Bred from galls of *Rhodites politus* on wild rose (*Rosa californica*).

Habitat. Pt. Arena, Cal. (Miss Mabel Patterson.)

Very similar to *P. californicus*, but apparently distinct.

#### 12 *DIASTROPHUS* Hartig.

*Diastrophus*, T. Hartig, Zeits. f. Ent., vol. 2 (1840), p. 186, 194.

Face radiately striate, antennæ in female 13-15 segmented, in male 14-15 segmented, pronotum narrow in the middle, mesonotum smooth and shining, bare, parapsidal grooves complete, distinct, scutellum with basal foveæ. Radial cell open at the margin, claws bidentate, ventral valve scarcely as long as wide. Sexual. Galls on *Rubus*, *Potentilla* and *Smilax*.

#### *Diastrophus kincaidi* Gillette.

*Diastrophus kincaidii*, Gillette, Can. Ent., vol. 25 (1893), p. 110.

*Diastrophus kincaidi*, Kieffer, Bull. Soc. Metz, 2nd ser., vol. 10 (1902), p. 92.

Female. Black, the antennæ, legs (except tips of tarsi), tegulæ and sheath of ovipositor brown or brownish. Head smooth and shining on occiput, vertex and front to insertion of antennæ, face radiately striate and pubescent, pubescence extending on to genæ, antennæ 13-segmented, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 1st obconic, 2nd globose, 3rd segment long, as long as 1 and 2 together, following segments progressively shorter to last, which is considerably longer than penultimate; all the segments more or less pubescent, distally from the middle infusate. Pronotum wide in the middle, aciculate at the sides, pubescent, mesonotum smooth and shining, parapsidal grooves complete, rather widely separated at scutellum, median longitudinal lines and smooth lines over base of wings distinct, mesopleura transversely aciculate and shining, scutellum evenly rugose, basal foveæ oblique, oval, with smooth shining bottom, contiguous, separated by a median carina, metanotum rugose and bare. Abdomen smooth and shining, dorsally depressed, 2nd tergite reaching more than half-way to apex, 3rd tergite rather broad, ovipositor slightly protruding. Legs pubescent. Wings hyaline, pubescent, faintly iridescent, veins brownish, radial cell open at the margin, vein at base almost straight, areolet distinct, cubitus reaching basal vein. Length 3 mm.

The male has 14-segmented antennæ, of which the 3rd segment is basally emargined.

Gall. Large galls surrounding the stem of the thimbleberry (*Rubus nutkanus*), 25-60 mm. long and 12-25 mm. in diameter. Polythalamous.

Habitat. Pt. Arena, Cal. (Miss Mabel Patterson.) Alameda County, California. (Beutenmüller.)

13 **COMPSODRYOXENUS** Ashm.

*Compsodryoxenus*, Ashmead, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 19 (1896), p. 128.

Head confluent punctate or faintly rugose, antennae filiform, 13-14 segmented, thorax closely and confluent punctate or faintly rugose, parapsidal grooves shallow but distinct, pleura punctate, scutellum rugose, abdomen compressed, ventral valve prominent, sharply pointed, plowshare-shaped. Radial cell open, vein at base arcuate and surrounded by a brown cloud, margin of basal vein clouded and a brown spot before the break in the anal vein. Claws simple. Galls on *Quercus*.

***Compsodryoxenus brunneus* Ashm.**

*Compsodryoxenus brunneus*, Ashmead, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 19 (1896), p. 129.

"Galls. The gall of this species was likewise confused in the collection with a similar gall (*Andricus chrysolepidis*) occurring on *Q. chrysolepis* in California, but I can distinguish two kinds of galls, although both bear the same number (2972). Both are very much alike externally, but one is polythalamous, the other monothalamous, and I believe the latter is the one producing the present gall-fly.

"Gall-fly. Female. Length, 2 to 2.6 mm. Head, antennae, thorax, and legs pale or light brown, the antennae towards tips dusky, pleura blackish, the abdomen black, polished, the posterior legs dusky or darker than the other. Wings hyaline, marked as in previous species.

"The species is closely allied to the preceding, but it is smaller, paler colored, and has 13 joints in the antennae.

"Type No. 3085, U. S. N. M.

"Specimens reared June 9, 1883, (?1893). Under this number the record book contains the following: January 13, 1893, Received today from Mr. H. W. Turner, of Martinez, California, a lot of elongate, oval twig galls, found on scrub oak; some of them were collected January 3rd in Pine Canyon, Mt. Diablo Contra Costa County, and some from apparently the same species of oak at Martinez; placed galls from different localities into different bottles to breed." (W. H. Ashmead).

I have not seen examples of this species.

14 **RHODITES** Hartig.

*Cynips* (part.), Linne. Syst. Nat., ed. 10 (1758), p. 343, 553.

*Rhodites*, *Aylax* (part.), T. Hartig, Zeits. f. Ent., vol. 2 (1840), p. 186, 194.

Head large, broader than the thorax, antennae 14-15 segmented, pronotum narrow in the middle, parapsidal grooves complete or not reaching anterior margin, deep longitudinal groove beneath on mesopleura, scutellum with basal fovea or a wide transverse groove, abdomen smooth in female, strongly compressed apically, sternite of last segment plowshare-shaped, broad at the base and gradually narrowing to a point, abdomen in male small, compressed and rounded apically. Radial cell closed, short. Claws simple. Galls on *Rosa*.

**Rhodites bicolor** (W. Harr.)

*Cynips bicolor*, T. W. Harris, Treat. Ins. N. Engl. (1842), p. 309.

*Rhodites bicolor*, Osten-Sacken, Proc. Ent. Soc. Philad., vol. 2 (1862), p. 43, 48.

*Rhodites spinosellus*, Cockerell, Entomol., vol. 23 (1890), p. 75.

Female. Black, tips of mandibles, palpi, ocelli, legs (except coxæ, trochanters and tips of tarsi), tegulæ and abdomen reddish brown. Head faintly punctate on occiput, vertex and front to insertion of antennæ, face and genæ coarsely punctate and clothed with silvery pubescence, antennæ 14-segmented, 1st and 2nd segments stout, 2nd globose, 3rd segment longest, much longer than 4th and nearly twice as long as 1 and 2 together, succeeding segments to 9th progressively shorter, 9th and following segments subequal, except the last, which is much longer than penultimate; all the segments rather thick. Pronotum narrow in the middle, punctate and pubescent, mesonotum elevated, rugoso-punctate, faintly pubescent, parapsidal grooves reaching more than half-way to anterior margin, median groove from posterior margin shorter, not extending beyond the middle, median longitudinal lines and smooth lines over base of wings distinct, mesopleura rugose and faintly pubescent, smooth, bare patches in the middle and beneath, scutellum deeply rugose, basal foveæ wanting, sharp declivity on either side at base smooth and shining, metanotum rugose and pubescent. Abdomen compressed, smooth and shining, 2nd tergite reaching half-way to apex, 3rd and following tergites fairly wide, valves touched with black. Wings subhyaline, pubescent, iridescent, veins brownish, radial cell short, closed, vein at base angulate, areolet distinct, cubitus reaching basal vein. Length 5 mm.

Male. Similar to female but antennæ and abdomen piceous black, legs more or less fuscous, wings hyaline, nervures black.

Gall. Spiny galls occurring in clusters on the wild rose (*Rosa californica*); yellowish brown, body spherical, the spines as long as or longer, sometimes shorter than the diameter of the body. Monothalamous.

Habitat. Stevens Creek, above Cupertino, Cal. (R. W. Patterson.)

**Rhodites politus** Ashm.

*Rhodites polita*, Ashmead, Bull. L. Colo. Biol. Assoc. (1890), p. 14, 38.

*Rhodites politus*, Beutenmüller, Bull. Am. Mus. Nat. Hist., vol. 23 (1907), p. 644.

Female. Black, the legs reddish brown outwardly from base of femora. Head faintly punctate, face pubescent, antennæ 14-segmented, filiform, 3rd segment longest, nearly twice as long as 4th or 1 and 2 together, following segments progressively shorter, except the last, which is nearly twice penultimate. Pronotum narrow in the middle, closely punctate and pubescent, mesonotum sparsely and shallowly punctate, each puncture bearing a short hair, parapsidal grooves complete, median longitudinal lines rather short, mesopleura finely rugoso-punctate, the disc bare and highly polished, scutellum rugoso-punctate

much longer than wide. Abdomen smooth and shining, compressed beneath, ventral valve projecting and acutely pointed. Wings hyaline, pubescent, veins brownish black, radial cell short, closed, with a brownish cloud, vein at base angulate, areolet distinct, cubitus reaching basal vein. Length 3 mm.

Gall. Small globular galls with weak spines, on leaves of wild rose (*Rosa californica*), often in tangled clusters.

Habitat. Pt. Arena, Cal. (Miss Mabel Patterson.) Los Angeles. (Beutenmüller.)

#### 15 LYTORHODITES Kieff.

*Lytorhodites*, Kieffer, Bull. Soc. Metz, ser. 2, vol. 10 (1902), p. 96.

Differs from *Rhodites* only in the following particulars: scutellum without fovea, radial cell more or less open at the margin, abdomen usually faintly reticulate. Galls on *Rosa*.

#### *Lytorhodites arefactus* (Gillette).

*Rhodites arefactus*, Gillette, Can. Ent., vol. 26 (1894), p. 157.

*Lytorhodites arefactus*, Kieffer, Bull. Soc. Metz., ser. 2, vol. 10 (1902), p. 97.

*Rhodites similis*, Beutenmüller, Bull. Am. Mus. Nat. Hist., vol. 23 (1907), p. 640.

"The galls are dense, corky enlargements of small shoots, usually close to the stem from which the shoot arises, and the shoot is usually dead beyond the gall when the latter is mature. The galls are irregular in shape, vary from one-half to seven-eighths of an inch in diameter, and are polythalamous. The surface is of a rusty color, is finely wrinkled, and reminds me of dried fruit. The surface appears dry and hard, but it is easily dented with the finger-nail and is always free from spines.

"Described from eighteen galls collected in March in the vicinity of Fort Collins, Colorado. Galls brought into the laboratory March 7th began giving flies March 23rd.

"Gall-flies. Females. General color cinnamon-rufous; head entirely rufous, except a blackish area between either compound eye and the mouth; under a power of 60 diameters the lower face appears rather coarsely wrinkled, the wrinkles converging towards the mouth, the upper face, vertex and occiput very finely rugose; the face sparsely set with a short gray pubescence; antennae short, the first three joints, and sometimes the base of the third, rufous, the remaining joints black; number of joints, 14. Thorax rufous above, with a black suture separating the mesothorax and scutellum, parapsidal grooves entire, broad, moderately deep, well separated at the scutellum, and with numerous elevated lines crossing them; median grooves distinct and extending well forward. The surface of the thorax is finely rugose, and, in a proper light, shows numerous punctures, each puncture bearing a short yellowish hair. Scutellum coarsely wrinkled near the margin and less coarsely wrinkled on the central portion, which is considerably elevated, transverse groove at base, color rufous. Mesopleura, except spot just beneath the wings, rufous, sutures, metathorax and sternum black or blackish;

entire pleura rugose. Abdomen rufous, with venter and posterior half of dorsum blackish, all abdominal segments covered with a microscopic network of impressed lines, most prominent on the terminal segments. Wings but little smoky, radial area not at all closed along the costal margin, areolet distinct and rather small. Feet, including the coxæ, entirely rufous, the claws only being black. Length from  $3\frac{1}{4}$  to  $4\frac{1}{2}$  mm.

"Described from twenty-one specimens bred from the galls.

"Males. Three to three and one-half mm. in length, black, feet more reddish in color than in the females, bases of the coxæ black, antennæ black throughout; otherwise like the females.

"Described from forty-two bred specimens.

"There is one male among those reared that has the rufous marking of the female on head, antennæ and thorax.

"This species resembles very closely *Rhodites multispinosa* Gill., but the galls are very different." (C. P. Gillette).

I have not seen examples of this species.

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# THE GENERA *HYPERA* AND *PHYTONOMUS* (Coleoptera, Family Curculionidæ) IN AMERICA, NORTH OF MEXICO.\*

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## INTRODUCTION.

The genera *Hypera* and *Phytonomus* belong to the tribe *Hyperini*, a member of the subfamily *Curculioninae* of the Coleopterous suborder Rhyncophora.

Both genera are well distributed over the northern hemisphere, being especially abundant in Europe, the last catalog of Heyden, Reitter and Weise listing in *Phytonomus* from "*Europae caucasi et Armeniae Rossicae*" 64 species, 3 varieties and 21 aberrations.

In America Leconte in 1876 listed 9 species, three of which are European. Since that time, we know of the introduction of two more European species. The present paper includes 13 species. One *Phytonomus* has been described from Mexico and in South and Central America are a number of species of *Phelypera*, a very closely related genus.

In the present paper will be treated only those species known to occur in America, north of Mexico, of the genera

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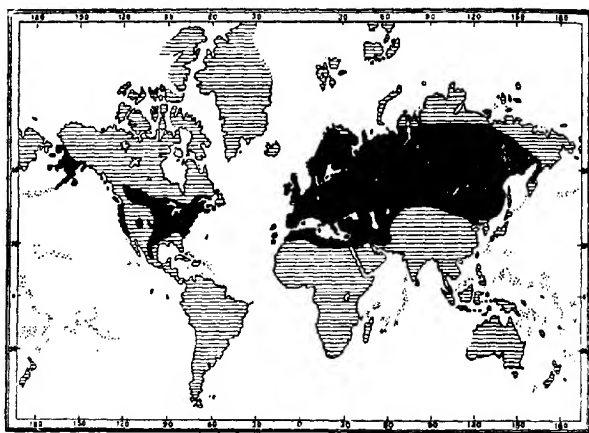
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*Hypera* and *Phytonomus*. Specimens have been seen of all the species reported from this region, and the types of six species have been examined.

In connection with the study of the American species the author has studied 45 of the European species, in some cases including a large number of specimens. Over 500 American specimens have been examined, exclusive of several thousand specimens of *P. posticus*.

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#### HISTORY.

In 1817 Germar in Germar & Zincker's magazine published a short article calling attention to the fact that he had for a long time been studying the genus *Curculio*, and that he had found good characters in the large complex of species upon which to erect new genera. At that time he published the names of these proposed genera, each with one or more included species, promising later to give the descriptions.

In 1821, in the same magazine, he published descriptions of several of the genera noted in 1817. Among these was the genus *Hypera*, which he divided into two groups, containing altogether 14 species. In the former paper he gives no characters whatsoever to distinguish the different groups, merely mentioning some of the work he had done and giving the list. The genus dates from this latter paper (1821).

In 1826 Curtis in his illustration of British Insects figured on plate 116, dated May 1, 1826, *Hypera fasciculata*, and stated in the appended description that the type of the genus *Hypera* was *Curculio punctatus*. He included in his list a number of other species which he had examined. *H. punctatus* was one of the species included by Germar in the original description of the genus and hence will stand as the type.

In the same year (1826) Schönherr published his work "*Curculionidum dispositio methodica*," in which in pt. iv, p. 175, he erects the genus *Phytonomus*, dividing it into two groups, nearly identical with those of *Hypera* given by Germar. He makes the type of the genus and of his first group *Hypera polygoni* L. *Hyp. punctata* was included in his second group. He gave with each group a number of species which he considered as belonging to that complex. He undoubtedly intended to make *Hypera* a complete synonym, but since the type of *Hypera* had already been fixed, both genera should stand. At later dates both Gyllenhal and Germar accepted the genus *Phytonomus* as including *all* the species under the two groups, upon what grounds it is impossible to state. Giebel cites the species in the collection at "Univ. Halle-Wittenberg" under

the name of *Hypera*. It is apparent that these include Germar's material and would indicate that he had not changed the name in his own collection.

Why later writers (Jekel, Lacordaire and especially Fowler) should attempt to fix other types for the genus *Hypera* I do not know, unless I have overlooked papers to which they had access. There is no clue to such literature in their articles.

Capiomont in 1867-8 in his "Revision des Hyperides," accepts this group as outlined by Lacordaire in the *Genera des Coleopteres*, tome vi, p. 395. Capiomont creates several new genera in the group and separates *Phytonomus* from *Hypera*, but not on the lines given by Curtis. The paper is, however, very valuable, as being the first thorough treatment of the group after Schönherr.

Kirsch and Kraatz, each publishing in 1871, contribute nothing new to the separation of the groups included, neither does Seidlitz in his *Fauna Transylvanica* in 1891.

Petri in 1901 in his admirable monograph of the tribe *Hyperini* closely followed Capiomont's work. He also gives a very good list of the synonymy of the species.

The larger European catalogues before 1901 usually treated the genus *Hypera* with *Phytonomus* as a synonym or a sub-genus. Weise in the Heyden, Reitter and Weise Catalog of 1906 has followed Petri except in the synonymy of the species, where he recognizes "aberrations" for most of those forms previously called varieties. This is certainly a step in the right direction, since in the species I have studied these so-called aberrations appear to be nothing more than forms due to one of several causes and likely to appear in any generation of the species. The term evidently should cover all such cases as immature specimens, color changes due to temperature or food conditions, size forms, and specimens which have lost all or part of their pubescence, especially the scales. Most of these should never have been described, as is evident from the efforts of both Capiomont and Petri to separate such forms from the typical species as *they* conceived it.

The literature of the group is of considerable size as may be judged from the bibliography of the species here treated. Without doubt references have been omitted that should have been given, but I trust that no serious omissions occur. The effect of this large number of references has been to make the

synonymy of the species very difficult. It is apparent that the name of *Phytonomus meles* is in doubt, but I do not care to change it without knowing more regarding the species *trivialis* Herbst and *roeseli* Gmelin, both of which were described previous to Fabricius' description of *meles*. The species *major* Herbst which had been assigned here as a synonym is according to Schönherr a *Cleonus*. Schönherr in his monumental work on the Curculionids in 1834 and 1842 gives no further aid on this synonymy.

Regarding the Stephens species the papers of Walton have been followed even where they differ from later authors since it is believed that they more nearly represent the true synonymy. Walton was in correspondence with Germar and Gyllenhal and with other continental European entomologists, and exchanged specimens with them. Where there was a further question, the papers of Capiomont and Petri have been followed if possible.

I have not attempted to place the American forms in the subgenera given by Capiomont believing that these need so much revision as to names and species included that it is well to let them alone. A more thorough study of the life-history of the various Eurasian species will without doubt introduce more synonymy if the other species of that region are as variable as those introduced into America.

The most constant characters are the scale structure, form and shape of thorax, shape and size of beak, and the genitalia. Petri has well pointed out the extreme differences in the stem of the male genitalia, the "forceps" of Petri.

All the species described from America north of Mexico have been identified, and I feel compelled to make one of the Leconte species, *Phy. setigerus*, a synonym of *trivittatus* of Say, this latter not having been previously recognized since Say's description. One new species, *Phy. marilimus* is described. *Hypera ocellata*, 1902: (Biol. Cent. Am. Coleop. v. 4, pt. 4, p. 3) was described from "Omiteme, Guerrero, 8,000 feet, Mexico (H. H. Smith)." From the description and figure, it apparently belongs near *Phytonomus eximius*.

The term *Phytonomini* of Leconte must give way to *Ilyperini*, the genus *Ilypera* being erected prior to *Phytonomus*.

## CHARACTERS OF THE TRIBE HYPERINI.

- 1863: Lacordaire; Gen. des Coléoptères, tome vi, p. 395 (Hyperides).  
 1867: Capiomont: Revision de la Hyperides (Ann. Soc. Ent. Fr. pp. 417-500, pl. 11-12).  
 1868: Capiomont: Rev. de la Hyperides (con.) (Ann. Soc. Ent. Fr. pp. 74-284, pl. 1-4).  
 1871: Kirsch: Zur Kenntnis der deutschen Hyperiden (Berl. Entom. Zeits., pp. 173-191).  
 1901: Petri: Monogr. des Coleop.—Tribus Hyperini, pp. 210, figs. 58, pl. 3, also as Bestim.—Tab. Coleop. Hft. 44, pp. 1-42.

In this group the *body* is more or less oval, the *thorax* never exceptionally long, the beak never extremely long and slender; thorax and elytra more or less covered with scales and with hairs that may be simple, emarginate or thickened.

The *head* is small and round, with the beak or rostrum well developed, often with a carina or keel on the upper surface; *antennae* set in a groove on the side of the beak, the groove usually slopes downward toward the lower side of the eyes; *antennae* (Pl. XXIV, fig. 17), composed of twelve joints, a long *scape*, seven *funicle* joints, the first two of which are longer than any of the others, and a four-jointed *club*, the antennae rarely reach to the middle of the prothorax; *eyes* oval, round or elongate-oval, often narrowed below, rather large and close together in front; *mouhparts* at the apex of the beak as usual, *labrum* wanting, *mandibles*, (Pl. XXIV, fig. 3, 4, 15), often with fine punctures, broad, stout, more or less pincer-shaped, with teeth, *maxilla* (Pl. XXIV, fig. 1, 16) broad, with short, conical four-jointed palpi which are rigid and taper more or less to a point; *lacinia* provided with stout teeth and rather long hairs, apparently always with short spines on the inner surface; *submentum* nearly rectangular, emarginate; *mentum* short and broad, *labial palpi* (Pl. XXIV, fig. 2) three-jointed, rigid, conical.

*Prothorax* more or less rounded above as seen from the side, sides usually somewhat swollen, anterior and posterior margins rarely as wide as the middle; oval, transverse-oval or elongate; always with a short process below between the front coxae.

*Scutellum* always minute.

*Elytra* differing greatly in form, sometimes at least three times as long as the thorax, in other species less than twice as long, elongate; oval, broad or obovate; from the side usually rather flat at the base, often rising for a short distance, and then may be abruptly declivous or rounded to the apex; 10 striae and 11 interspaces including the sutural and side spaces.



*Venter* as in other Curculionidae, front coxae almost contiguous, middle coxae separated by the more or less elevated process of the mesosternum and the shorter process of the metasternum; hind coxae usually rather widely separated, the intercoxal process of the third abdominal (first visible) segment being broad, but in all species examined ends in a point which is sometimes concealed beneath the metasternum; side pieces of the mesosternum diagonally divided; side pieces of the metasternum dilated in front usually rather narrowly, the outer angle causing a sinuosity in the edge of the elytron; ventral abdominal segments unequal, first and second concealed as usual, the fifth and sixth shortest, usually the seventh or fourth next, the third longest, or in some the seventh the longest; sutures straight or nearly so.

Last dorsal abdominal segment in the male with an extra piece, which appears as another segment and is (in the species examined) covered with peculiar many branched hairs or scales, pygidium not exposed.

*Legs* clothed with hairs or scales, usually the femora and coxae with scales only, sometimes these only in front; the apex of each of the tibia possesses a ring or crown of spines of varying length; articular surface of the hind tibiae distinctly terminal, sometimes with a projection on the inner side; tarsi dilated, third joint strongly bilobed, elongate, with a setose pad beneath; claws long, simple, free.

The description of the stages relate only to the following species: *Hypera punctata*, *Phytonomus posticus*, *P. nigrirostris*, *P. meles*, and *P. complus*. The characters seem however, to be common to the species named, where the stages are known.

*Egg*: (not known in *complus*): more or less oval, white, yellow or some shade of yellow, reticulated with hexagonal depressions.

*Larva*: In the younger stages (not known in *complus*) slender, widest in the middle, head dark, dorsal surface set with dark or black tubercles upon which are inserted hairs, which are usually clavate at the tips, except on the anal segments where they are longer and simple; beneath the thorax the surface is projected into lobes, sometimes each lobe of each of the three pairs is bilobed and set with bristles; abdominal segments beneath with smaller lobes; sides with two swollen areas on each segment, the one on which the spiracles are placed

has one or more tubercles set with hairs, anal segment of three lobes, two side and one dorsal; a dorsal abdominal median paler line is present, this may extend onto the thorax.

*Later stages:* Head dark, glabrous with very fine transverse lines, antennae minute, two-jointed, situated near the anterior border; labrum emarginate, with a row of hairs near the edge; mandibles stout, toothed, usually dark; two small ocelli on each side of the head with a long hair between them; palpi two-jointed, a long hair or spine below the first joint. Segments of the body dorsally of two distinct parts, (Pl. XXIV, figs. 23-32), the smaller anterior part always with one pair of tubercles, a tubercle each side of the dorsal line; the posterior part larger, broader and extending almost to the spiracles, containing on the dorsum, at least, one row of tubercles, some of the thoracic and last abdominal segments may have more rows; spiracles black, nine in number situated a little above the middle and well forward on the side of the segments which possess them, below them one or two tubercles, the spiracles and these tubercles are on the first set of swellings or enlargements; the enlargement below the first is usually small, the third is on the venter and contains the leg-like tubercles.

*Cocoon:* All the species noted above spin reticulate cocoons, usually oval or globular, varying considerably in the size and shape of the openings.

*Pupa:* Rather short and wide, all the appendages very evident, wing-pads rather long, thorax broad, the abdominal segments with transverse rows of setae; the thorax with hairs, those on the prothorax regularly twenty in number, a row of five pairs curving around the anterior margin on each side, the fifth of which is sometimes set far back; and a curved row of five pairs beginning near the center and passing backward to the posterior outer angle. The arrangement of these hairs appears to be constant in each species examined (pupa of *meles* not seen).

*Life-history:* Eggs laid, except with *Hyp. punctata*, in the spring on the food plants or inserted into some part of the plant, such as leaf, leaf-sheath, petiole, stem, flower-heads or buds. The habit of *comptus* is not known, but from the time the larvae appear it is probable the eggs are laid in the spring, the same holds for *P. eximius*.

*Larvae* upon hatching, generally remain concealed for some time feeding in a protected place, usually not feeding in the open except at night or when very numerous, when they pass out onto the leaves even in broad daylight. Some feed in flower-heads (*meles* and *nigrirostris*, prob. also *eximius* and *comptus*); others in the leaf-buds (*posticus*), but all when numerous will defoliate their food plant.

The larva when full grown spins a cocoon that may be placed among the flowerets (*nigrirostris*), on the upper surface of the leaves (*comptus*); on or near the ground, in leaves or other debris (*posticus*) or in the ground (*H. punctata*). Even in the same species there is some diversity of habit.

In those species where the cocoon spinning has been watched the process is as follows (Folsom, Titus for *Hyp. punctata*, Titus, Ainslie, Sadler for *P. posticus*, Titus for *P. nigrirostris*).

In *Hypera punctata* the larva buries itself in a small oval cell in the ground, slightly under the surface; this cell it smooths with its head and by turning around and around with its body in the characteristic curved position; the other species do not form cocoons in the ground. The spinning in the species observed is done with the mouth. The first hairs are placed as a round network on the surface where the larva is lying, then lying on its back it reaches with the head to one side slowly spinning the thread upward. The thread hardens and is thus sometimes carried over to the other side making a framework upon which to attach other threads. More often the threads are laid down along the first network and gradually built up on each side, the larva often puts its mouth or parts of its mouth through the coarser network and fastens a thread outside. The meshes are gradually reduced in size by placing other threads in both directions inside the first rows, this is especially true with *comptus* and *punctata*.

Every few seconds, or at least every half minute the larva reaches back to the anus and apparently from some gland secures a fresh supply of silk, the operation of securing this silk can be better described as sucking than "nibbling" though it partakes of the character of both. It may be that this is a secretion from the malphigian glands as found by Silvestri to occur in *Lebia*. Pupation occurs from one to three days after the cocoon is completed.

When the adult beetle appears it rests in the cocoon until the wing-covers are somewhat hardened and then eats its way out. From the descriptions given apparently some species devour the entire cocoon, this has been noticed but rarely with *posticus* and has not been reported for *punctata*.

The beetles usually feed by night and rest concealed in the daytime beneath rubbish or leaves or even in cracks in the ground. The smaller specimens often lie in the leaves or opening leaf-buds. The beetles cause considerable injury by their feeding habits at this time, gnawing the parenchyma from the stems and feeding upon the leaves.

The introduced European species, and probably all the species, hibernate as adults.

The group has in common with some other Curculionidae the habit of distributing themselves by flying at some stated period, in *Phytonomus* it appears at least in three species (*nigrirostris*, *posticus*, *meles*) to be in the spring. *P. posticus* has two flights, the second occurring in the summer, *Ilypera punctata* has at least late summer or fall flight.

*Food-plants:* Kleine has published (1910) the food plants of the European species of *Phytonomus* so far as known. They include plants in many different groups, but especially among the legumes (Fabaceae) and buckwheat (Polygonaceae) families.

The native American species whose food-plants are known are *comptus* on *Polygonum*; *eximus* and *quadricollis* on *Rumex*; *trivittatus* (setigerus Lcc.) on *Lathyrus*, and *maritimus* on "Vicia."

The introduced species are primarily leguminous feeders, attacking especially clovers and alfalfa; probably they will feed upon any species of *Trifolium*, *Medicago* or *Melilotus*. They will also attack the *Astragalus* group and the vetches. *Iyp. punctata* will live upon beans in both larval and adult stages. Other food-plants reported for them, such as golden-rod, potatoes, timothy, wheat and cabbage, are doubtless more or less accidental.

Along the Atlantic Coast the introduced species are but occasionally noticed as injurious to the crops, but as they move westward across the Alleghany Mountains, their injuries increase. It is probable that when *Ilypera punctata* from the East and *Phytonomus posticus* from the West meet on the western plains, we will hear much more regarding their injurious feeding habits. It is certain that the alfalfa weevil (*P. posticus*)

is a most serious pest in the parts of Utah where it is at present common and doubtless will be so in any of the western alfalfa regions. Railroads lead in all directions and it is only a matter of time until this species has reached the other alfalfa growing localities. (Map 11.)

In the dry regions, where there is little rainfall during the hot summers and very little humidity in the atmosphere, it is very doubtful if the fungus diseases will work. In the coast regions the fungus is undoubtedly the one enemy that keeps the species there present in check.

Cultural methods, the introduction of better methods of farming, rotation of crops, use of gathering machines, careful stamping out of incipient colonies and the hope of parasites from Europe are all factors leading toward the control of the species of this group in the more arid climates.

Plates XXXIII and XXXIV illustrate something of the problem from the standpoint of the western farmer and show what is being done to aid in cultural lines. Plate XXXIII is adapted from Bul. 110 of the Utah Agr. Exp. Sta., which gives an account of the work accomplished against *P. posticus* up to July 1, 1910.

#### GENERA HYPERA AND PHYTONOMUS.

While these two genera are closely related, there are unmistakable characters that readily separate them. *Hypera* has the beak short, blunt and thick; scarcely one-half longer than the remainder of the head; mandibles never emarginate; elytra much wider than the thorax; usually wider or as wide as the distance from base to point where the elytra curve downward; humeri very prominent, convex; alternate interspaces beginning with the sutural one strongly elevated and wider than the others; intercoxal process broad, stem of male genitalia (Pl. XXIV, fig. 14), fully as wide as long.

Type: *Hypera punctata* Fab.

In *Phytonomus* the body is never stout, broad and thick, beak never short and blunt; intercoxal process somewhat narrowed at tip; mandibles always more or less emarginate; elytra as wide or a little wider than the thorax; stem of male genitalia (Pl. XXIV, figs. 5-13), much longer than wide, generally two or three times longer.

Type: *Phytonomus arator* L. (polygoni L.)

*Hypera* lays eggs in the fall, some larvae hatch then, others the next spring. Cocoon may be formed in the ground, and the meshes are very much closer than in any *Phytonomus* cocoon known:

*Phytonomus* lays eggs in the spring (so far as known); the cocoon apparently never formed beneath the surface of the earth.

## TABLE OF SPECIES.

- Beak stout, never longer than prothorax.  
 Large robust species, beak shorter than prothorax; hairs of prothorax and elytra long and slender; scales striate, narrowed toward tip, emarginate without processes, concave, rounded at base..... *Hypera punctata*  
 Elongate, rather stout, sides of elytra almost parallel, thorax longer than broad, beak scarcely as long as prothorax; setae on prothorax thick, numerous, scales sparse, parallel-sided, deeply emarginate.  
*Phytonomus diversipunctatus*
- Beak more slender, always longer than prothorax.  
 Front between the eyes narrower than eye at widest part..... 1  
 Front between the eyes always distinctly wider than eye at widest part, usually slightly concave..... 8  
 1. Scales not at all cleft or emarginate..... 2  
 Scales more or less emarginate..... 4  
 Scales cleft..... 6  
 2. Body not elongate, flattened, sides of elytra never parallel; scales truncate, concave, widest at middle, striate..... *Phytonomus eximius*  
 Body elongate, flattened, sides of elytra parallel..... 3  
 3. Thorax deeply punctured, polished; scales concave, truncate, widened at tip, finely striate; setae thickened at tip, more numerous on posterior part of elytra..... *Phytonomus quadricollis*  
 Thorax not polished, punctures shallow, indistinct, glabrous, more or less confluent; scales parallel-sided or narrowed at tip, thick, indistinctly striate, no hairs on dorsum..... *Phytonomus comptus*  
 4. Scales finely striate, deeply emarginate, sides curved; hairs thick at base and near tip abruptly narrowed to a point; prothorax as wide as long; punctures of elytral striae with minute setae *Phytonomus trivittatus*  
 Scales deeply emarginate; hairs on prothorax thick, sides parallel, tip notched; prothorax longer than wide, setae in elytral striae short, thick and white..... *Phytonomus maritimus*  
 Scales deeply emarginate, processes and elytral scales as long as body of scale; beak scarcely longer than prothorax, species small, stout.  
*Phytonomus pubicollis*  
 5. Scales cleft nearly or quite to base..... 6  
 Scales not nearly cleft to base..... 7  
 6. Prothorax much wider than long, sides prominently rounded.  
*Phytonomus meles*  
 Prothorax not wider than long, species rather narrow, elongate; hairs on dorsum long, fine, pointed..... *Phytonomus nigrirostris*  
 7. Prothorax almost as wide as long; hairs on dorsum, especially on posterior part of elytra, semi-decumbent, long and pointed. *Phytonomus posticus*  
 8. Scales of elytra cleft to or almost to base; prothorax with numerous emarginate hairs mixed with sparse cleft scales, front distinctly concave, beak much longer than prothorax..... *Phytonomus seriatus*  
 Scales of thorax and elytra all deeply cleft, some scales on head are cleft; prothorax with sparse, thickened, blunt hairs, beak scarcely longer than prothorax..... *Phytonomus castor*

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- 1813: Panzer: Ind. Fauna Germ., p. 200, no. 21.  
 1813: Gyllenhal: Ins. Succica, 1 (pt 3): 108, no. 38.  
 1819: Samouelle: Entom. Useful Comp., p. 369.  
 1819: Samouelle: Nomen. Brit. Ent. Alphab. Arrang., 1: 36.  
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*Hypera punctata* var. *austriacus:*

- 1871: Gemminger & Harold: Cat. Coleop., 8: 2356.

*Phytonomus punctatus* var. *austriacus:*

- 1901: Petri: Monogr. Coleop. Trib. Hyperini, p. 202.  
 1901: Petri: Bestim.-Tab. Coleop. Hft. 44, Hyperini, p. 39.

*Curculio pictus*:

- 1785: Fourcroy: Entom. Paris., 1: 117, no. 5.  
1789: Villers: Entom., Fauna Suec., 1: 216, no. 187; 4: 282, no. 187.

*Hypera punctata* var. *picta*.

- 1871: Gemminger & Harold: Cat. Coleop., 8: 2386.

*Curculio linzensis*:

- 1790: Gmelin: Linn. Syst. Nat. ed. xiii, p. 1790, no. 477.

*Hypera punctata* var. *linzensis*:

- 1871: Gemminger & Harold: Cat. Coleop., 8: 2386.

*Phylonomus punctata* var. *linzensis*:

- 1901: Petri: Monogr. Coleop. Trib. Hyperini, p. 202.  
1901: Petri: Bestim.—Tab. Coleop., Hft. 44, Hyperini, p. 39.

*Curculio medius*:

- 1802: Marsham: Entom. Brit., 1: 302, no. 185.

*Phylonomus proximus*:

- 1833: Carmagnola: in Villa Cat. Col. Eur. dupl., p. 24.  
1843: Sturm: Cat. Coleop. Sammlung, p. 201.

*Hypera punctata* var. *proxima*:

- 1871: Gemminger & Harold: Cat. Coleop., 8: 2386.

*Phylonomus rufus*:

- 1834: Boheman in Schönherr: Gen. et sp. Curc., 2 (pt 2): 402.  
1842: Boheman in Schönherr: Gen. et sp. Curc. 6 (pt 2):  
1844: (Dohrn): Cat. Col. Eur., p. 52.  
1849: (Dohrn): Cat. Coleop. Eur., p. 61.  
1858: Dohrn: Cat. Coleop. Europ., p. 79.

*Hypera punctata* var. *rufa*:

- 1871: Gemminger & Harold: Cat. Coleop., 8: 2386.  
1877: Stein & Weise: Cat. Col. Eur., ed. 2, p. 143.  
1883: Weise in H. R. & W. Cat. Coleop. Eur., ed. 4, p. 159.  
1891: Weise in H. R. & W.: Cat. Coleop. Eur., p. 303.

*Phylonomus punctatus* var. *rufus*:

- 1901: Petri: Monogr. Coleop. Trib. Hyperini, p. 202.  
1901: Petri: Bestim.—Tab. Coleop. Hft. 44, Hyperini, p. 39.

*Phylonomus punctatus* var. *hostilis*:

- 1837: Dejean: Cat. Coleop. Coll. Dejean, ed. 3, p. 287 (credited Ziegler).  
1901: Petri: Monogr. Coleop. Trib. Hyperini, p. 202.  
1901: Petri: Bestim.—Tab. Coleop. Hft. 44, Hyperini, p. 39 (hostilis).

*Hypera punctata* var. *hostilis*:

- 1871: Gemminger & Harold: Cat. Coleop., 8: 2386.

*Phylonomus opimus*:

- 1876: Leconte: Rhynchophora of North America, p. 124, 415.  
1884: Reinecke: Buffalo Free Press, 12 Aug.  
1884: Reinecke: Bul. Br'klyn. Ent. Soc., 7: 76.  
1882: Leconte: Trans. Am. Ent. Soc. 9: proc. p. xxxvi.

*Hypera opimus*:

- 1880: Austin: Supp. Check List Coleop. N. Am., p. 15, no. 8851.

*Phylonomus fallaciosus*:

- 1806: Desbrochers: Frelon, 5: 67.

*Original Description:* Fabricius, 1775, p. 150, as *Curculio punctatus*.

"*punctatus*. 119. *C. brevisrostris*, *fuscus*, *elytris punctis*, *holosericeis elevatis*; *marginecue flavo*.

"Habitat in Suecia.

"*Major, ovata, Rostrum brevissimum. Thorax gibbus, glaber. Elytra striato punctata, et praeterea punctis elevatis, holosericeis atris adspersa.*"

*Adult:* (Plate XXV). Length 5 to 10 mm. Width 3 to 5.7 mm.

Stout, black or brownish black. Clothed with blackish brown pale brown, yellow-brown or gray scales which are short broad and emarginate at the tips, and with short erect bristles, edge of elytra yellow brown or at least paler than remainder of scales.

*Head* clothed with short metallic yellowish scales; *front* not as wide as breadth of eye, densely clothed with dark yellow hairs or scales which extend over two-thirds of the beak. *eyes* elongate oval, narrowed beneath, rather prominent; *beak* scarcely two-thirds the length of the prothorax, and one-half thicker at tip than width of front, beneath on the sides and near the tip polished and densely punctate; an elongate impression on dorsal surface above the antennal groove; *antennal groove* black, deep, punctured; *antennae* reddish-black, scape reaching to middle of eyes, not as long as funicle, not greatly enlarged at tip; first joint of funicle distinctly longer than second, enlarged at the apex so that it is about one-half as thick as long, second joint equal to three and four united, joints three to seven regularly shorter and broader, seven as wide as long, club elongate-oval, pointed at tip, antennae with many fine hairs, those on club very fine and dense. Mandibles polished, dull red, not emarginate at tip, maxillae and all the palpi pale brownish-red.

*Prothorax* broader than long, broader in female than in male, in the female broadly widened in front of the middle, in the male converging more behind than in female; sides broadly impressed, only slightly swollen; *dorsum* densely, rather coarsely punctured, densely clothed with scales and with many slender pointed hairs; usually with a narrow pale median dorsal line bordered by wide dark, almost black in some, bands of scales which reach to the sides; sides and beneath with dark yellow scales, generally with a dark spot on sides behind and an indistinct dark line running from this spot toward the front.

*Scutellum* extremely small, narrowly triangular, clothed with pale scales.

*Elytra* very broad, at tip broadly rounded, sides especially in the male nearly parallel, humeri prominent and clothed with darker scales. Suture and alternate interspaces more strongly elevated than others, deeply striately punctured, striae without setae; each interspace with a single row of black setae pointing backward and partially decumbent, more erect behind; tip of elytra and often the sides with some short white hairs. The coloration of the scales varies from solid gray to black, through various shades of brown yellows. Some specimens are tessellated with brownish-yellow and black, the tessellation usually on the more elevated interspaces.

In the male the outer interspaces have paler scales even in the darkest specimens, in the female this pale coloration is sometimes, but rarely, entirely absent.

*Venter* with lighter colored scales and many light hairs; front coxæ slightly separated, mesosternal process between middle coxæ broad perpendicular, triangular at tip; intercoxal process of first abdominal segment very broad, coxæ separated by more than their width. First segment in male impressed, emarginate posteriorly. Stem of male genitalia (Pl. XXIV, fig. 14), nearly or quite as broad as long.

*Legs* short, stout, especially the femora; black, tarsi often ferruginous, claws long curved, red and darker at tips; front tibiae and hind femora distinctly curved, front tibiae more so in male; legs usually clothed with lighter scales and hairs than the body, femora scaled, tibiae and tarsi sparsely haired; middle tibiae with a distinct apical hook.

*Egg*: elongate oval, 1.1 mm. to 1.2 mm. long, 0.5 to 0.6 mm. broad, very regularly hexagonally sculptured. The sculpture at one end often merging into striae. As the larva develops the egg changes from an orange or chrome yellow to a dull black.

*Larvæ*: (Pl. XXVI, fig. 1). (Descriptions from Riley, Folsom and observations by the author). *First stage*: 1.5 to 2 mm. long, narrow, thickest at middle, tapering toward both ends; head brown, blackish-brown or black, with many fine transverse lines on the face; eyes very small, circular, projecting; mandibles terminating in two large sharp teeth, more or less separated, the lower one again divided into two or three parts; palpi pale yellow, mandibles brown or dark brown; dorsum of first thoracic segment with a rectangular dark band interrupted by a paler dorsal line which is the continuation of the stem of an inverted Y on the face, this dorsal band becomes wider on the abdominal segments and extends to the tip of anal segment. Hairs on the tubercles clavate as in several other species. Color varies with place of feeding, if concealed in bud or stalk is very pale, if exposed is more or less green.

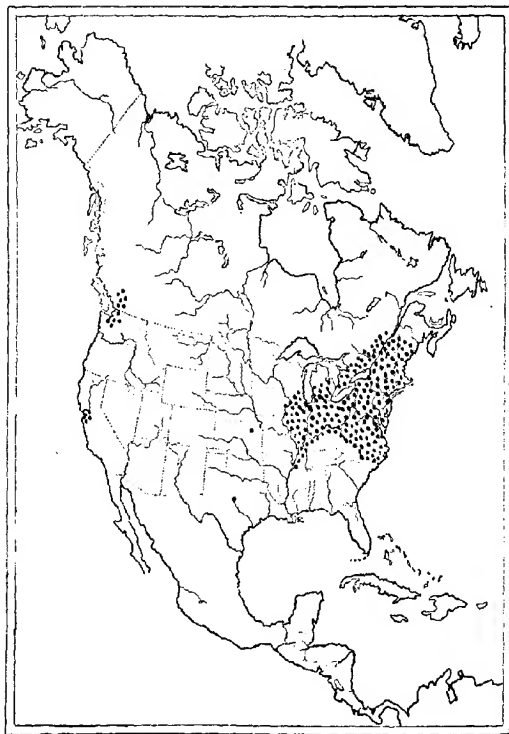
*Second stage*: Color greener, head dark brown, front and sides of rectangular plate on first thoracic segment dark, the remainder greenish; dorsal median line with a fine dark border, darker than the remainder of the larva. Side line below spiracles indistinct. Length 4-4.5 mm., width 2 mm.

*Third stage*: Black lines on each side of dorsal line very distinct; head as in second stage, eyes densely black, antennæ darker; color of larvæ (Folsom) may be blue green. Usual color pale green. Length 5 to 7 mm., width 2.5 to 3 mm. in the middle.

*Fourth stage*: Dorsal line very white indistinctly bordered by rose color, usually rather pale but sometimes rosy-black, the outer borders of this coloration are black and form distinct lines, interrupted on the margin of each segment; head very dark brown; larva much darker green; lines below the spiracles dark both showing a tendency to be brown or blackish, anal segments brown; the surface of the body much rougher in this stage than in others, the triangular points of the cuticle standing out prominently; tubercles on the thoracic segments below very strong and the hairs more prominent than in earlier stages. Length 8 to 14 mm.

*Cocoon*: (Plate XXVI, fig. 2). A fine network of rather coarse brown threads, not so dark as in *comptus*, but the reticulations closer than in any species studied. Oval, 9-10 mm. long and 6.5 to 7 mm. wide.

*Pupa*: (Plate XXVI, fig. 4, 5). When first formed with yellow-green head, small brownish-black eyes, yellow antennae, legs and wing-pads paler. Abdomen dark green with a distinct pale dorsal line that extends onto prothorax but in those I have seen not onto the head. Frontal row of hairs rather distant from margin; central pairs close together, three following pairs form a curved line ending near the posterior outer edge; a few hairs on remainder of thorax; transverse rows of blunt setae on each dorsal abdominal segment; hairs on beak rather short and thin; those on anal segment moderately long, stout and dark. Length 5.5-7 mm. Width 3.5-4.5 mm. Probably some are larger than these measurements show.



MAP 2. Distribution of *Hypera punctata* Fab. in America.

*Distribution:* The species was described by Fabricius in 1775 from Sweden, and both Schaeffer and Geoffroy list it without a name. Nearly all of the earlier writers mention it and in 1826 Curtis made it the type of Germar's genus *Hypera*.

It is common over all Europe and northern Asia, occurs and probably also common in central Asia and in China. Asia Minor and the north coast of Africa appear to be more rarely inhabited by this species, *isabellinus* taking its place in Egypt.

It is becoming well distributed over the United States and southern Canada, occurring now on both coasts and at least as far south as Texas, Tennessee and North Carolina.

The following records are based on literature, specimens seen, and records sent me by various collectors.

The type of *opimus* is from the Melsheimer collection and is an almost perfect specimen of the pure gray form. The Canadian specimen mentioned in 1876 by Leconte was received by him from Mr. D'Urban of the Geol. Survey of Canada about 1850-55. It was not until 1881 that the species was again reported, when it occurred at Barrington, N. Y.; in 1882 Lintner took a specimen in Vermont. In 1884 *punctatus* reached Canada in numbers, flying across the lake from Buffalo to Ridgeway, 1889 it occurred in several places in Ohio, probably having reached there the previous year. Hamilton reports it from Western Pennsylvania in 1891 and Schwarz identified a beetle taken from the stomach of a crow killed in Michigan in 1892 as this species. Southward by 1890 it had spread over New Jersey and reached Philadelphia where it was very common (Liebeck). The year 1894 gave records from Maryland, Michigan, W. Virginia (Hopkins), and Indiana. C. T. Brues took it in 1897-98 along the shore of Lake Michigan at Chicago, it being one of the very common species at that time. Folsom records its first appearance at Urbana as 1903 and it was common there in 1904. In Pennsylvania, Stewart and Rathvon report it in 1891 and it apparently soon afterward reached Maryland and the District of Columbia, since in 1894 it was seriously damaging clover in western Maryland. Lintner in 1893 received specimens from a correspondent at Hillsboro, Va., where it was then troublesome. Franklin Sherman, Jr., writes me that he collected specimens in North Carolina in 1901; there are specimens in the Brues collection from Austin, Texas, 1901-2. I have specimens collected at Memphis,



Tennessee, in 1906, and took one female at N. Topeka, Kansas, 17, September, 1910. R. L. Webster reported it from Iowa in 1910. On the west coast Hanham reported it from Vancouver in 1902 (Fletcher) and in 1906 E. S. Wilmot states it that was up the Fraser River as far as Harrisons, about twenty miles from the south line of British Columbia. It was not until 1905 that it was reported from Ottawa, Ontario (Harrington). There are specimens in the Blaisdell and Van Dyke collections from San Francisco, 1908, and in the Van Dyke collection from near Seattle, Washington, 1907, G. I. and Miriam Reeves collected it at Vancouver, Wash., in 1911.

Felt (*in litt* 1911) gives a large number of New York records and says distributed commonly over the entire state. Blatchley (*in litt* 1911) states that it is in all parts of Indiana.

*Maine:* Old Orchard Beach (Fall coll.); York Beach (Frost coll.).

*New Hampshire:* Base Mt. Washington ix-19-09 (Frost).  
*Vermont:* Hartland (U. S. N. M.).

*Massachusetts:* Framingham viii-4-06, vii-5-06, ix-7-07 (Frost); Bedford (Frost); Forest Hills winter and fall 1910-11 common; Salisbury, Lynn, Wakefield, Marion (Fall coll.); Stoneham iv-2 (Sherriff); Brookline viii-13, Boston viii-20-02, iv-6-04 Parshley (B. S. Nat. Hist.); Nantucket Id (Bolter coll.).

*Rhode Island:* Providence 18-Sep-02 Armstrong (U. S. N. M.); Kingston.

*Connecticut:* Stratford 1891 (Ins. Life); common from records by Britton, (*in litt*, 1911), which include the following: New Haven, 9 Nov., 1903, pair in coitu, H. J. Viereck; 16 Oct., 1903, 18 Aug., 1903, B. H. W.; 16 Aug., 1904, B. H. W.; 9 July, 1909, B. H. W., 12 Sep., 1907, W. E. Britton; Poquonock, 7 July, 1903, B. H. W.; Cromwell, 14 Aug., 1903, B. H. W.; E. Hartford, 21 Aug., 1903, B. H. W.; Colebrook, 21 July, 1905-June, 1911 (Titus); Branford, 20 Aug., 7 Sep., 1905, H. W. W.; Westville, 3 Sep., 1905, 9 Sep., 1907, W. E. B.; Stonington 7 July, 1906, G. A. Hyslop.

*New York:* Oscana Lake, Aug., 1891, (Van Dyke coll.); Ithaca, 1895 (Ohio U.) 1885, 18 July, 1 Sep., and 1890, 10 May, and many other dates (Cornell Univ.) Thousand Isles 9-21, Danley Corners 16-Aug.-85, Motts Corners, 23 Aug.-85 (Cornell U.); Berington, Yates Co., July, 1882, J. B. S. (U. S.

N. M.); Dundee 13-3, Rockaway Bch (U. S. N. M.); Babylon Je 18, G. D. Bradford, Staten Id (A. M. N. H.); Buffalo in many collections; from Dr. Felt (*in litt.*) Albany, Buffalo, Canandaigua, Coeymans, Ithaca, Karner, Mosholu, Marlborough, Newport, Oswego, Phoenicia, Pike, Sheepshead Bay.

*New Jersey*: Distributed over entire state, (J. B. Smith). N. Brunswick, June, vi-15, Monmouth, Chester ix-1; Sea Isle City 5-29, Jamesburg, June; Woodbury 6-19; Anglesea 6-26, Avalon 7-25, Westville 8-13; Atlantic City 6-24 (coll. J. B. Smith); Anglesea 1-28; Phila. Neck 1-31, Malaga ix-18 (coll. Wenzel); Highlands N. J. (U. S. N. M., Mich. Agr. Coll.); Cape May, Ft. Lee (A. M. N. H.); Highlands 8-7-90, (Soltau) Anglesea 22-7 (U. S. N. M.); Hopatcong (A. M. N. H.).

*Pennsylvania*: Bucks Co (J. B. S.); Crooked Ck, Allegheny (Felt coll.); W. Park (Wenzel); "Pa" (Horn coll.); Pa (Bolter coll.).

*Maryland*: See records above under general distribution.

*Delaware*: Close 1907, records from state.

*District of Columbia*: Washington 11-8, 11-7 (U. S. N. M.) common (Schwarz).

*Virginia*: Falls Ch. (Felt list). Common (Schwarz).

*West Virginia*: Berkeley and other counties (Hopkins); Morgantown (Felt list).

*North Carolina*: Raleigh 22 Oct., 1901, Newton, Aug., 1902 (Sherman).

*Tennessee*: Memphis (Titus coll.) 1906.

*Texas*: Austin, 1901-2 (Brues coll.).

*Michigan*: Detroit, Sep. 2, Hubbard and Schwarz (U. S. N. M.). Common.

*Ohio*: N. E. Ohio, 1890 (Webster); Wooster, 1893: (Webster); Lucas Co., 1893 (Hine); Cincinnati 1892 (Dury); Wauseon, April, 1894 (Hine); Sandusky, July 12, 1899; Big Chicken Id. L. Erie, 25 July, 1903. Columbus (Ohio State University); Cleveland, June 23 (Webster); Cuyahoga Falls, 14-viii-04 (Warner, U. S. N. M.).

*Indiana*: Indianapolis (Fall coll.); Stilesville ix-18 (Wickham coll.); common throughout state (Blatchley).

*Illinois*: Chicago. 1897-1898, common (Brues); Urbana, ix-26-10 Titus; Cobden ix-25-10, (Titus); in coll. Field Col. Mus. Willow Spr. viii-17-07, viii-31-07; Roby ix-7-06; Cook Co. (Chope); Chicago ix-2, (Brand); Glencoe v-31-09, (Gerhard); Carbondale ix-22-09 (Gerhard).

*Wisconsin*: Bolter coll.; Lugger coll.; Beaver Dam ix-4-10 (Van Dyke).

*Iowa*: Burlington, April, 1910 (Webster, R. L.).

*Kansas*: North Topeka, 17 Sep., 1910 (Titus).

*Washington*: Washington Lake near Seattle v-9-07, ix-9-07 (Van Dyke); Vancouver (G. I. & M. Reeves).

*California*: Mt. Lake near Presidio Mil. Res. San Francisco, May, '08, (Blaisdell and VanDyke).

*Oregon*: "Ore." (U. S. N. M.).

*British Columbia*: Victoria 1902 (Hanham), Harrison, 1903 (Wilmot).

*Food Plants and Life History*: In Europe this species has several times been reported as injurious locally, but only for short periods. The earliest record I have found is Villa's statement at the time of the outbreak in the region of Lombardy in 1868, when he says that Moretti in a revised edition of Gene's publication in 1853 reports this species as injuring clover, and believes that this referred to a previous serious injury about 1834-35. I have not seen the work mentioned. In 1868 the species caused serious damage in northern Italy so that a commission was appointed to investigate the matter and published several papers giving recommendations.

Targione-Tozzetti in 1879 notes a severe outbreak in the region around Florence; Koppen in 1880 mentions its injuries to agriculture in Italy. Bargagli in his work on the Rhyncophora writes of the species as injurious and in 1884 reports that the previous year it had been excessively abundant. He believed that this was due to the very dry year killing off the predaceous and parasitic insects that ordinarily keep it in check. Bertolini reports it from clover at Trento in 1893. It was again injurious in the region of Florence in 1902-1903.

In America its first notice as an injurious species was in 1881 in New York when there was a severe outbreak and from this place it rapidly spread in all directions year by year. Five years later Arthur of the Geneva station studied the fungus that was then attacking it. This disease keeps the species well in check throughout the eastern states. However, when the species reaches the dry western climates it is probable that it will cause much more serious damage.

The life history of the species was published by Riley in 1882 and a more recent paper by Folsom (1909) gives much additional information regarding its habits and distribution.

The following account is condensed from Folsom's most excellent paper on this subject, supplemented by observations I have made the past fall, winter and spring on the species in captivity and on the grounds of the Bussey Institution and other places around Boston. I have succeeded in forcing the larvæ through to pupation by the middle of March. The beetles of the year lay eggs throughout the fall from September until winter forces them into hibernation.

Folsom states that he rarely found the weevils in early spring, those found being "either dead or in the last stages of decrepitude and evidently incapable of doing anything toward the propagation of their kind."

Eggs are laid in old clover stems, on the outside of green stems, leaf petioles and among young leaves, or on the ground amongst the debris at the base of the plant. In captivity the beetles freely deposited their eggs in the stems of growing alfalfa and clover. As related by R. L. Webster the adults stand head downward boring the hole in which to deposit the eggs with their beak.

Apparently the majority of the eggs hatch in the fall, the young larvæ wintering over in various sizes ranging from those newly hatched of 1.5 mm. length to specimens 5 to 7 mm. long and certainly three-quarters grown. During the winter they may be found inside hollow stems, among the young leaves, or among the dried leaves about the base of the plants. On warm winter days they come out to feed on the young leaves, I have found them feeding in the bright sunshine on warm days in January and February; Glasgow also reported finding larvæ feeding at this time of year (Folsom).

In early spring the overwintering eggs begin to hatch and the larvæ that have been hibernating come out on the plants and feed. The very young larvæ eat small holes in the leaves while the older ones cut pieces out of the edge or even cut off young leaves. The damage to clover is sometimes quite severe and alfalfa plants show the riddling still plainer.

The beetles feed on the leaves and stems, both eating off the parenchyma and making feeding punctures in the stems.

Folsom gives the length of the egg-period in: as 23 to 45 days. One lot of 54 eggs laid by one beetle in the insectary at Forest Hills were divided, 27 kept inside hatched in 18 days, while those placed outside hatched with an average of 31 days.

According to Folsom the average for the first larval stage is about 9 days; and the others very variable. Larvæ reared by me in 1910-11 passed the first stage in 8-9 days, the second in 10-12, third in 15-16 and spun their cocoons 12-16 days later. The cocoon spinning occupies one or two days,

Pupæ are apparently formed about two days after the cocoon is finished. The pupal period (Folsom) is from 10 to 20 days. Beetles appear in Illinois as early as May 9 and as late as July 15. The period of greatest emergence being "the last week in June."

Copulation does not occur for several weeks or even more than a month after their appearance. Meanwhile they spend their time hidden during the day and coming out at night to feed. Both beetles and larvæ usually feed during the night.

The largest number of eggs reported by Folsom was 40. Taking advantage of their propensity for continued mating I have supplied a female with fresh males and fresh food-plant after each egg-laying period; this combined with a warm room seemed to act as a stimulant and I received 68 eggs. Dissection later showed many undeveloped eggs in the ovaries.

Folsom gives as foodplants "all kinds of clovers and alfalfa as well." In central Illinois red clover is most heavily infested, alfalfa second and white clover third. Webster found that one year in Ohio the white clover was most seriously injured. Lintner reports the larvæ and adults feeding on beans, the latter especially on the pods.

Kleine gives as the food-plants in Europe: *Medicago sativa*, *Trifolium pratense* and *T. incarnatum* and *Helianthus tuberosus*.

*Enemies:* Riley reported *Collops quadrimaculatus* in the larval stage feeding on the eggs, and *Cicindela repanda* probably preying upon the larvæ. Webster notes that larvæ are eaten by birds and that turkeys (especially), and chickens are very fond of them. In Europe Torka in 1907 reported, evidently quoting from Eckstein, finding the species in the stomach of *Botaurus stellaria*.

The worst enemy of the insect is undoubtedly a fungus disease which attacks the larvae under favorable conditions sweeping them off in great numbers. This disease was first noted by Arthur in New York in 1885 and has since appeared wherever the *Phytonomus* has been distributed throughout the eastern and central states. Folsom states that it requires

damp and not too cold weather to develop and affects the larvæ in October and November and again in April and May.

This fungus is known as *Entomophthora sphaerosperma* Pres., and is a common disease upon many insects, the only other representative of the Coleoptera reported as attacked is a Lampyrid larva. The list of its hosts includes (Thaxter, 1888); in the Lepidoptera, imago of *Colias philodice* and larvæ of *Pieris*; in Hymenoptera several Ichneumons, and a Halictus; in Diptera, imago of the common house fly (*Musca domestica*) and representatives of several families of small diptera; in Coleoptera as noted above; Hemiptera, *Aphis*, *Typhlocyba*, larvæ, pupæ, imagines; in Neuroptera; imago of *Limnephilus*(?); Thrips in various stages of a species on *Solidago*. This species of fungus occurs in Europe as well as in America, here being known from Maine to North Carolina and westward into the Mississippi Valley.

The fungus develops in the body of the host, as a network of branching mycelia, some of the branches push through the ventral wall and become attached as rhizoids to some surface; over the body is formed a gray velvety coating of fine threads which have penetrated the skin; on the tips of some of these are formed conidia from these come temporary spores which are shot away for some distance and may thus alight upon another host and begin to grow. Resting spores develop inside the host and probably may thus live over until the next season.

The sick larvæ crawl up the plants during the night, ascending as high as possible, if on a slender stem or a grass blade they coil themselves about it in a horizontal position.

Arthur (1885) states that they die by noon, remaining in this position and during the late afternoon have changed to a velvety gray. By the next morning the larva is only a blackened shriveled mass.

This disease is so destructive to the larvæ of *Phytanomus nigrirostris* and *Hypera punctata* that there is rarely any cause for worry on account of their injurious habits in the Eastern States. When they appear in numbers any season they are nearly all killed before reaching maturity.

**Phytonomus eximius** Leconte.*Phytonomus eximius*:

- 1876: Leconte: Rhyncophora of N. America, p. 414, no. 4-5, p. 415.  
 1877: Popenoe: Tr. Kans. Acad. Sc., 5:38-9.  
 1881: Riley: American Naturalist, 15: 912.  
 1882: Riley: Report of the Entomologist, p. 111.  
 1883: Riley: in Rpt. U. S. Dept. Agr., p. 171.  
 1883: Lintner: 1st Rpt. St. Ent. N. Y., p. 248.  
 1883: Henshaw: Cat. Coleop. Am. N. of Mex., p. 137, no. 8231.  
 1898: Beutenmuller: Journ. N. Y. Ent. Soc., 1:40.  
 1909: Webster, R. L.: Entom. News, 20: 81.

*Hypera eximius*:

- 1880: Austin: Supp. Check list Coleop. N. Amer., p. 45, no. 8885.

**Adult:** (Plate XXVII, fig. 6-8). Length 4.8-5.5 mm. Width 1.5-2 mm.

Black, densely clothed with golden-yellow, rust-red, brownish-black or black scales or some combination of the colors, hairs sparse, usually pale.

**Head** densely, finely punctured, scales dense on head, especially between the eyes, sparse on beak; *front* narrow, scarcely as wide as beak at tip, about as wide as one eye; *eyes* oval, scarcely elongate, narrowed beneath very slightly; *beak* not as long as prothorax, generally covered with fine punctures which often merge into striae that extend almost to the tip which is a little widened, apical two-thirds of beak sparsely clothed with long pale or black hairs; *antennae* black, not densely haired, very long in proportion to size of the insect; scape reaching at least to the eyes, first funicular joint as long as three following, enlarged at tip, second joint as long as third and fourth united, club long pointed, densely pubescent with very fine short hairs.

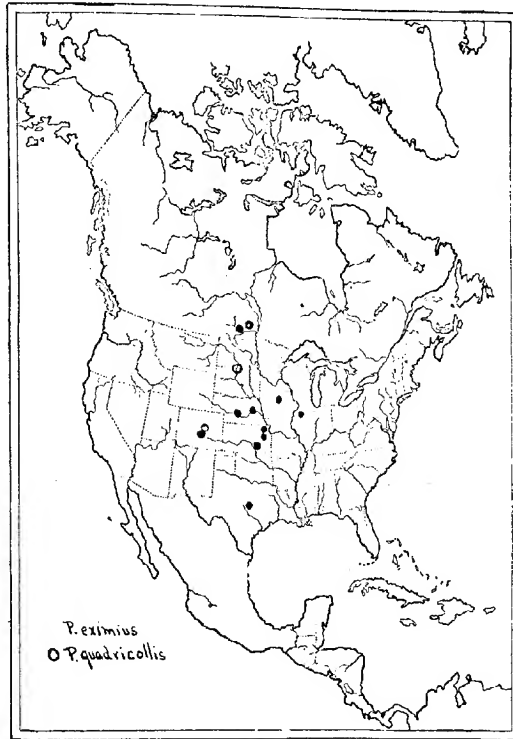
**Prothorax** as long as wide, narrowed in front, sides obliquely sloping back for two-thirds of length, then slightly contracted to posterior edge, sides somewhat swollen, impressed behind; dorsum and sides clothed with ribbed scales that are almost quadrate in form, and with a few short pale or white hairs.

**Scutellum** narrowly triangular, scales yellow.

**Elytra** at base one-third wider than widest part of prothorax, gradually widening for two-thirds of length where they become almost one-half wider than prothorax, then gradually sloping to the rounded tip; scales as on prothorax, hairs on interspaces very sparse, interspaces flat; punctures of the striae without hairs. In some specimens the scales are dark yellow with tessellated brown or black spots on alternate interspaces beginning with the sutural area; others are rust-red either uniformly scaled or with spots of brown, yellow or gray scales intermixed, or they may be covered entirely with gray scales.

**Venter** with entire surface clothed with paler scales and fine pale hairs; these hairs are especially evident in a small area on the mesosternum; abdominal surface often rubbed so that it appears spotted with black; *mesosternal process* between middle coxae elevated, narrowly linear, ending in a rounded point; *intercoxal process* of first abdominal segment broad; male genitalia (Plate XXIV, fig. 7) with *stem* broad, sides obliquely sloping to a broadly rounded tip.

*Legs* black, last tarsal joint, especially of hind legs usually pale, femora all clothed with scales, tibiae and tarsi with pale hairs, front tibiae in male curved, with a distinct thin process apically on the inside, crown of spines on tibiae pale yellow.



MAP 3. Distribution of *Phytonomus eximius* Lec. and *P. quadricollis* Lec.

*Distribution:* Type locality, Topeka, Kansas, 2 specimens from E. A. Popenoe, one of which is in the Mus. Comp. Zool., in the Leconte collection.

*Dom. of Canada: Manitoba:* Aweme, 2-vii-07, 11-June-03, 7-vii-08, 15-viii-08 (all in coll. Norman Criddle).

*United States: Illinois:* 5 in Bolter coll. Univ. of Ill.

*Iowa:* Iowa City (coll. Wickham) (R. L. Webster in litt.)



*Nebraska*: "Neb." (collections U. S. N. M., Schaeffer, Fall, Wenzel); Lincoln, H. Soltau, 5-5 (U. S. N. M.); Lincoln, Bruner, May 3 (Mich. Agr. Coll.) Malcolm, vi-20-09, C. R. Oertels, vi-22-09 (coll. Frost); Lincoln, Salt basin, vi-26-09, H. Shoemaker (coll. Wickham); Kearney (coll. Wenzel).

*Kansas*: "Kan." (Horn coll. Am. Ent. Soc., Mich. Agr. Coll., U. S. N. M., Fall coll.); Douglas Co. May, Bridwell (U. S. N. M.); Wilson Co. 4-17-97 (coll. Cornell Univ.); Benedict Ks, 4-23-96, W. Knaus; Onaga Ks (coll. VanDyke).

*Texas*: Dallas (Mich. Agr. Coll.); Bolter coll. 1.

*Colorado*: Florissant June, '07, Cockerell, (2 in Fall coll.); Horn coll. Am. Ent. Soc. 1.

*Food plants*: *Rumex brittanicus* and probably other species.

*Life History*: Popenoe (1877) bred the type specimens from pupae in cocoons found on the leaves of *Rumex brittanicus*. He states that the cocoon is yellow brown, loosely interwoven, broad in outline, and the pupae very "nervous" when disturbed. Warren Knaus, McPherson, Kansas (*in litt* 1911) states that he collected specimens in copula 23 Apr., 1896 in Wilson Co., Kansas on a species of *Rumex* and that young larvae were then present feeding on the leaves and flowers, the season was late and the beetles were disappearing.

#### *Phytonomus quadricollis* Leconte.

*Phytonomus quadricollis*:

1876: Leconte: Rhynchophora of North America, p. 126, no. 8, p. 415.

1885: Henshaw: Cat. Coleop. Am. N. of Mex., p. 137, no. 8235.

1909: Webster, R. L.: Entom. News, 20: 81 (in error).

*Hypera quadricollis*:

1880: Austin: Supp. Check list Coleop. N. Am., p. 45, no. 8888.

*Adult*: (Plate XXVII, figs. 3-5). Length 4 mm. Width 1.5 mm.

Elongate, black or "blackish brown", with dense closely set gray or dull yellow small rounded scales; legs pale red.

*Head* clothed with coarse hairs; front much wider than width of eye, flat; eyes elongate-oval; *beak* as long as prothorax, rather slender, at least three times as long as wide; tip slightly enlarged, a few sparse punctures on the glabrous portion, feebly carinate; *antenna* brownish red, scape reaching to the eyes, smooth, first joint of funicle as long as two following or nearly so, club elongate, second and third funicle joints subequal.

*Prothorax* square, slightly narrowed in front, sides variable but never more than scarcely rounded; polished with closely set shallow punctures in which the scales and hairs rest.

*Elytra* much wider than posterior margin of prothorax, oblong-oval, humeri rounded, sides almost parallel, rounded at tips; striae

impressed, punctured, each puncture with a short white thick hair or seta; a single row of white setae, short and stout in front, and longer behind on each interspace; interspaces not elevated. Setae on all parts of insect more or less decumbent; scales very evenly, regularly set, so that they appear almost as if in rows on the interspaces; color very uniform dull yellow or dirty white or gray. In one specimen there is almost a complete tessellation, with pale brown quadrate maculae on the yellow ground.

*Venter* with scales usually paler and on abdomen intermixed with transverse rows of short white hairs; mesosternal process between middle coxae long, narrow, enlarged at tip, elevated; intercoxal process of first abdominal segment broad at base and rapidly curving to a blunt point. Stem of male genitalia (Plate XXIV, fig. 8) gradually and evenly rounded to the blunt tip, sides parallel for two-thirds of length, edges not strongly curved inward.

*Legs* pale red, claws dark red; femora only little curved; femora clothed in front with scales; tibiae and tarsi and usually the femora clothed behind with long stout hairs; tibiae and tarsi clothed in front with hairs or scales or both, crown of spines on posterior tibiae short and yellow; sometimes all the legs are entirely covered with short hairs or setae and with scales.

*Distribution:* (See Map 3). Type locality, "Dacota," 1 specimen in Leconte collection. Mus. Comp. Zoology.

I have seen a number of specimens of this species collected by Norman and Evelyn Criddle on *Rumex crispus* along streams at Aweme, Manitoba (23-vi-08, Criddle coll.) (v-26-04, Wenzel coll.), vi-11-03, (Wickham coll.) and also one specimen in the Horn collection (Am. Ent. Soc.) from Colorado.

R. L. Webster (1909) records the species from "Ykn," Las Vegas, N. Mex., and Wyoming (Bolter coll.), but an examination of these specimens shows that they do not belong in the tribe Hyperini.

#### *Phytomomus comptus* Say.

##### *Phytomomus comptus:*

- 1831: Say: Desc. of N. American Coccinellidae, p. 12-13.
- 1834: Gyllenhal in Schönherr: Gen. et sp. Cure. 2pt. 2: 384.
- 1842: Gyllenhal in Schönherr: Gen. et sp. Cure. 6pt. 2: 380, no. 70.
- 1853: Melsheimer: Cat. Desc. Coleop. United States, p. 95.
- 1859: Leconte: Comp. Writing of Thomas Say, 1: 274.
- 1873: Crotch: Cat. Coleop. of N. Amer., p. 118, no. 6092.
- 1878: Hubbard & Schwarz: Proc. Am. Phil. Soc., 17: 663.
- 1879: Dury: Journ. Cin. Soc. Nat. Hist., p. 14.
- 1880: Zeisch & Reinecke: List Coleop. vic. Buffalo, p. 14.
- 1881: Zeisch & Reinecke: Bul. Bul. Soc. Nat. Hist., 4: 14.
- 1881: Riley: American Naturalist, 15: 912.
- 1882: Riley: Report of the Entomologist, p. 111.
- 1883: Riley: in Rpt. U. S. Dept. Agr. 1, 1881-2, p. 171.
- 1883: Lintner: First Rpt. St. Entom. N. Y., p. 218.

- 1883: Brodie & White: Check List Ins. Dom. Canada, p. 47.  
 1885: Henshaw: Cat. Coleop. Amer. N. of Mex., p. 137, no. 8230.  
 1890: Smith: Cat. Ins. N. Jersey, p. 250.  
 1898: Beutenmüller: Journ. N. Y. Ent. Soc., 1: 40.  
 1899: Smith: Cat. Ins. New Jersey, p. 343.  
 1902: Dury: Journ. Cin. Soc. Nat. Hist., 20: 182 (sep. p. 76).  
 1902: Ulke: Proc. U. S. N. Museum, 25: 355. (Dist. Columbia list).  
 1902: Wickham: Bul. Lab. Nat. Hist. St. Univ. p.  
 1907: Pierce: Ann. Rpt. Neb. St. Board Agr. p. 258.  
 1909: Webster, R. L.: Entom. News, 20: 81.  
 1910: Smith: Cat. Ins. New Jersey, p. 381.

*Hypera compla:*

- 1871: Gemminger & Harold: Cat. Coleoptera, 8: 2381.  
 1880: Austin: Supp. Check List Col. N. America, p. 45, no. 8884.

*Phytonomus diversus:*

- 1833: Dejean: Cat. Coleop. coll. Dejean, ed. 2, p. 263.  
 1834: Gyllenhal in Schönherr: Gen. et sp. Curc. 2 (pt 2): 371.  
 1837: Dejean: Cat. Coleop. coll. Dejean, ed. 3, p. 286.  
 1842: Gyllenhal in Schönherr: Gen. et sp. Curc., 6 (pt 2): 372.  
 1873: Crotch: Cat. Coleop. N. America, p. 118, no. 6992a.

*Phytonomus ruficis* var. *diversus*.

*Phytonomus ruficis* var. *complus:*

- 1901: Petri: Monog. d. Coleop.-Tribus Hyperini, p. 129, 202.  
 1901: Petri: Bestimm.-Tabel. Hft. 44, Hyperini, p. 40.

*Original description:* Say, 1831, p. 12-13:

"2. *P. comptus*.—Elytra with subquadrate, brown spots. Inhabits United States.

"Body cinereous-olivaceous covered with small scales; rostrum shorter than head and thorax, rather narrower at base; antennae and feet rufous; thorax somewhat rounded, with a much dilated brown, somewhat metallic vitta (p. 13) scutell small triangular; elytra with slightly impressed, but punctured striae, interstitial lines flat, with more or less brown quadrate spots, particularly near the suture, where they are alternate.

"Length much over three-twentieths of an inch."

*Adult:* (Plate XXIV, figs. 1, 3, 5, 6, 17; Plate XXVIII, figs. 1-4).  
 Length 3.3-5 mm. Width 1.2-1.7 mm.

Rich brown to reddish black and more rarely black, thorax usually darker than the elytra; elongate; closely covered with small scarcely striate rounded scales. Antennae and legs ferruginous.

*Head* small, very finely punctured, beneath with fine transverse lines; covered above and below with very narrow blunt scales, on the sides wider and more numerous; these scales are almost hairlike in character; *eyes* oval, slightly elongate without a fovea behind; *front* never as wide as an eye; *beak* about as long as the prothorax in the females, shorter in the males; slightly widened at the tip which is almost always entirely red, never with a carina, rarely curved strongly, usually with many short, scale like hairs on the black portion and a few long slender hairs near the tip on the polished portion, these are set in minute punctures; *antennal groove* not deeply curved downward, roughened, above it on the beak an elongate depression; *antennae* only slightly hairy, scape not nearly reaching to the margin of the eyes, polished, equal in length to the

funicle, first funicle joint nearly twice as long as second, second longer than third, seventh joint broader and shorter than the others, last joint of club more elongate, longer than others, all covered with fine pubescence; antennæ inserted about one-third back from tip of beak.

*Prothorax* slightly longer than wide, widest in the middle, anterior and posterior margins of almost the same width, sides rounded and impressed posteriorly, a deep impressed groove near the anterior sternal margin which extends upwards on the sides gradually becoming indistinct; anterior margin below with a fringe of hair projecting forward over the suture; punctures rather coarse and dense in each puncture lies a small narrow truncate or rounded scale.

*Scutellum* small triangular, elongate and usually covered with finer paler scales.

*Elytra* elongate-oval, narrow in front, sloping gradually outward for three-quarters of length and then quickly narrowed, from the side only slightly declivous behind; striæ distinct, punctured, interspaces scarcely elevated, scales arranged irregularly on interspaces as compared with *quadricollis*, but much more regular than in other species, often overlapping, but never lying across the striæ; *no setæ in the stria punctures*.

*Venter* covered with fine generally paler scales, abdomen flatter in male than in female and with a faint indication of an impression on the first segment; mesosternal process between the middle coxæ elevated for half its length and broadly triangular, then curved backward contracted and again enlarged near the truncate point; the process of the metasternum appears to fit into a socket on the under side of the mesosternal process; intercoxal process of third segment of abdomen not as wide as coxæ, projected further forward than usual. Male genitalia (Plate I, figs. 5-6) with *stem* having elongate parallel sides for two-thirds of the length then curved smoothly in to the rounded point.

*Legs* with all the coxæ, and femora in front clothed with narrow scales, tibiae and tarsi with hairs which are sparsely set almost in rows and sometimes short and stout; crown of spines on hind tibia short and stout, spur of hind tibia very short, stout and red; tarsi above and claws usually darker than remainder of legs; pad on the third joints long and pale.

The color of the adult beetle varies extremely; from a large number of specimens bred by Dr. J. B. Smith, at Trenton, N. J., I have found almost all the varieties sent from various localities over the United States. The prevailing color seems to be rust-red, which is evidently the color of the specimens described by Gyllenhal as *diversus*. Other specimens are brown, gray, grayish-green, metallic-red, gray or gray-green; others tessellated over the entire elytral surface with brown and black maculae on a background of red or brownish yellow scales; a few are metallic greenish-black. The specimens sent Schoenherr by Say are evidently small males of the obsoletely tessellated reddish forms. The relation with *P. ruficollis* is only superficial and extends neither to the thoracic form, elytral markings, scale shape or genital structure. The metallic vitta mentioned by Say as occurring on the prothorax appears

usually in the spotted forms and is rather rare; the common elytral basal spot so characteristic of the genus is indistinct or absent

*Egg*: unknown.

*Larvæ*: (Plate XXVIII, fig. 7). First stage not seen.

Second or third stage: 4.5 mm. long, .6 mm. wide in the middle, dark brown above, pale below. Hairs very long and pointed, head jet black, first thoracic segment pale.

Fourth stage: 5-6 mm. long, 0.7-0.8 mm. wide in middle, very dark brown above except first thoracic segment and interrupted pale lines; paler on sides and below. A central dorsal row of pale spots occurs between the tubercles from the first abdominal to the anal segment; only faintly indicated on the thoracic segments. Tubercles of the abdominal dorsal segments in two rows, the first containing one tubercle on each side of the dorsal median line, the second having four pairs of tubercles, these are jet black and between them there are always pale spots; first lateral enlargements on each segment with a pair of black tubercles, second enlargements each with a single tubercle; anal segment on each side with a pair of tubercles in front of the second and third tubercles of the second row; last segment with the four tubercles of the second row on each side arranged in a diamond, more elongate laterally. Each tubercle is set with a long slender dark hair, none of the hairs appearing blunt or truncate. On the thorax the tubercles are more numerous on the first segment but on the others arranged as on the abdominal segment but without evident pale spots between. (Described from alcoholic specimens loaned by Dr. J. B. Smith, collected in June on *Polygonum* at Trenton, N. J.) The colors of the living larvæ may be somewhat different from those of alcoholic specimens and the arrangement of the thoracic tubercles, especially those on the first segment could be better understood from non-shrunk specimens.

*Cocoon*: (Plate XXVIII, fig. 5). 4-5 mm. diameter, coarsely reticulate, of brown coarse threads, usually almost globular. (Specimens from Trenton, N. J., Indian Territory, Columbus, Ohio and Pegrim, Ill.)

*Pupa*: (Plate XXVIII, fig. 6) 4 mm. long by 1.8 mm. wide across the base of the wing-pads. Anterior line of prothoracic hairs close to margin, first three pairs in front, fourth and fifth on side; the two central pairs are on a line, almost with the fourth and fifth anterior and form a square; three posterior pairs on a curved line near the hind margin about equidistant from each other and the inner one the same distance from the posterior hair of the central pairs; all of these hairs very long and slender; hairs on the head and beak not so long; transverse rows of setæ on the dorsal abdominal segments and rows of hairs on the terminal segment. Pupa dark on head, base of wing pads, parts of legs, metathorax above, and on parts of abdomen. (Described from one specimen from Dr. J. B. Smith, same lot as larvæ.) The coloration of the specimen appears to have been affected by the alcohol in which it is preserved. Some of the segments are somewhat shrunken, especially on the abdomen.



MAP 4. Distribution of *Phytonomus comptus* Say.

*Distribution:* Type locality, "United States," Say 1831.

Generally distributed over the United States, Ontario and perhaps other parts of Canada. Ranging from Michigan to Texas, and from the Atlantic seaboard to the Rocky Mountains, also occurring in Oregon and Washington.

*Dominion of Canada:* "Can." (Horn coll. Am. Ent. Soc.; Mus. Comp. Zool.; Coll. Mich. Agr. Coll.); Grimsby, Ont., (Pettit) (coll. Mich. Agr. Coll.; Amer. Entom. Soc.)

*United States: Massachusetts:* "Mass." (coll. Blanchard; coll. Horn, Am. Ent. Soc.); Tyngsboro 6-12-89 (Blanchard); Lowell (Blanchard); Chicopee 3, (Cornell Univ.); Framingham vi-24-08 (Frost); Sherborn vi-16-09 (Frost); Andover vi-9-07 (Frost).

*New York*: "N. Y." (Bolter coll.; U. S. N. M.; Am. Ent. Soc.; Dietz coll. Mus. Comp. Zool.); Staten Id, 7-6-91 (Fall); Long Island, Staten Island (Linell, U. S. N. M.); Buffalo (Am. Ent. Soc.).

*New Jersey*: "N. J." (U. S. N. M.); Berkeley Hts. (Bischoff coll.); Ft. Lee (A. M. N. H.); Phila. Neck, Westville 4-26-, 6-23, Gloucester 8-17 (Wenzel coll.); in list Insects N. J. 1910 are recorded: Hopatcong (Palm); Ft. Lee (Schaeffer); Hudson Co. (Linell); Newark Dist. (Bischoff), Westville, Gloucester; and "on Polygonum;" I have also seen specimens of adults, larvæ and pupæ from Trenton (J. B. Smith).

*Pennsylvania*: "Penn." (Horn Coll. Am. Ent. Soc.; Melsheimer, Mus. Comp. Zool.).

*District of Columbia*: Washington 7-11, 14-4, 8-4 (U. S. N. M.).

*Michigan*: South Haven 6-1-91 (Mich. Agr. Coll.) Grand Ledge 6-6 (Hubbard and Schwarz, U. S. N. M.); Detroit, June (Hubbard & Schwarz); "Mich. 144046" (Leconte coll. Mus. Comp. Zool.); also recorded in Wickham's Lake Superior list.

*Ohio*: Columbus (Ohio State Univ. coll.); recorded by Dury from vicinity of Cincinnati.

*Indiana*: "Ind." (coll. F. M. Webster; coll. Blanchard); Vigo Co., 5-29-92, 5-21-93, 6-25-92, 6-7-93, 6-10-98, 4-23-03, 7-8-02 (Blatchley).

*Illinois*: "Ill." (Bolter coll.); "N. Ill." (Lugger coll.; Peabody coll. Ill. St. Lab. Nat. Hist.; Dietz coll. Mus. Comp. Zool.; Bolter coll.); "S. Ill. Soltau" (U. S. N. M.); Algonquin 17-July-09 Nason 222; Pegrim 4-Oct.-02 (Titus, coll. Ill. St. Lab. Nat. Hist.); the Nason specimen is in the Fall collection.

*Missouri*: "Mo." (Dietz coll. Mus. Comp. Zool.; Bolter coll. Ill. St. Lab.).

*Iowa*: Wickham coll. and Dietz coll. (Mus. Comp. Zool.).

*Arkansas*: Blanchard coll.

*Indian Territory*: "I. T." (U. S. N. M.) one specimen with cocoon and another specimen of the same form and color.

*Texas*: Columbus 8-11 (U. S. N. M.).

*Nebraska*: Horn coll. (Am. Ent. Soc.); Mus. Comp. Zool.

*Colorado*: Colo. Springs (R. L. Webster *in litt*); Dixon Can. on willow, 30-June-92 (Gillette) and Spring Canon (Wickham's list). These two latter localities are west of Ft. Collins in the edge of the foothills.

Oregon: Am. Mus. Nat. Hist. 1.

Washington: "W. T." two in Horn coll. (Am. Ent. Soc.).

The specimens reported by Dejean and Schönherr were given as from "America boreal." Probably the Say specimen of *comptus* was from the Mississippi valley region, though his statement "United States" would lead one to believe that he had specimens from a number of places.

*Food Plants and Life History:* Riley (1881) reports breeding this species from "*Polygonum nodosum*." Dr. Smith bred it from a species of *Polygonum* in New Jersey. I have seen specimens from Columbus, Ohio, (Osborn), with the cocoon still attached to a leaf that appeared to be *Polygonum*. Through the kindness of Dr. S. A. Forbes I have permission to use some notes made by me while connected with the State Entomologist's office several years ago.

In October, 1902, I found several species of larvæ feeding on leaves and flowers of a *Polygonum* (identified for me by Dr. Gleason as probably *P. hartwrightii*) on the Hartwell ranch near Pegrim, Ill. At that time the country was flooded with water, only the top of the plants being above the water. The larvæ were almost full grown and some were already in the cocoons, others had changed to pupæ. The cocoons were made on the upper side of the leaves, the edge being bent over to aid in concealment. I bred a number of adults and some parasitic Hymenoptera. Dr. Forbes very kindly loaned me this material and from it Mr. J. C. Crawford of the U. S. Nat. Museum has described ———. The parasitic pupæ of this species were naked, jet black and formed in the cocoon of the host.

In Biol. Cent. Am. Coleop. v. 4, pt. 4, p. 2, this species is incorrectly referred to as probably a synonym of *P. ruficis*.

#### **Phytonomus diversipunctatus** Schrank.

##### *Curculio elongatus:*

- 1792: Paykull: Monog. Cure, no. xlv. (nec. Feb. 1775).
- 1800: Paykull: Fauna Suecica: Insecta, 3:236, no. liii.
- 1834: Sahlberg: Ins. Fennica, 2: 49, no. 28.

##### *Rhynchaenus elongatus:*

- 1813: Gyllenhal: Insecta Suec. 3:99, no. 31.
- 1820: Billberg: Enum. Insect. p. 42.
- 1840: Zetterstedt: Ins. Lapponica, p. 180, no. 11.

##### *Hypera elongata:*

- 1821: Dejean: Cat. coll. Coleop., ed. 1, n. 89.
- 1826: Sturm: Cat. Ins. Sammlung, p. 157.
- 1848: Walton: Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist., (2) 1:300.
- 1849: Walton: Stett. Entom. Zeit., p. 258.



- 1869: Kraatz: Verz. Kafer Deutsch., p.  
 1871: Gemminger & Harold: Cat. Coleop., 8: 2382.  
 1871: Kirsch: Berl. Ent. Zeit., 15: 190.  
 1877: Stein & Weise: Cat. Col. Eur. ed. 2, p. 143.  
 1880: Austin: Supp. Check List Coleop. N. Amer., p. 45, no. 8882.  
 1884: Bargagli: Rass. Biol. Rinc. Europei, p. 93.  
 1884: Bedel: Col. Bassin de la Seine, p. 258, no. 13 and p. 78.  
 1881: Heyden: Cat. Coleop. Sibiria, p. 166.  
 1883: Weise in H. R. & W. Cat. Col. Eur., p. 159.  
 1889: Fauvel: Rev. Entom., 8: 157.  
 1891: Fowler: Brit.: Coleop., 5: 230, no. 234.  
 1891: Weise in H. R. & W.: Cat. Coleop. Eur. p. 304.  
 1896: Heyden: Cat. Coleop. Sibiria, ed. 2, p. 152.

*Phytonomus elongatus:*

- 1826: Schoenherr: Curc. dispos. meth. pt. 4, p. 175.  
 1829: Gebler: Lededour Reise d. Altai, p. 168.  
 1830: Gebler: Bemerk. d. Ins. Sibiriens vorz. d. Altai, 3: 168.  
 1833: Dejean: Cat. Coleop. coll. Dejean, ed. 2, p. 263.  
 1834: Gyllenhal in Schönherr: Gen. et sp. Curc. 2 (pt) 2: 374, no. 9.  
 1837: Dejean: Cat. Coleop. coll. Dejean, ed. 3, p. 286.  
 1842: Boheman in Schönherr: Gen et sp. Curc. 6 (pt 2): 369, no. 44.  
 1843: Sturm: Cat. Coleop. Kafer Sammlung, p. 201.  
 1844: (Dohrn): Cat. Col. Europe, p. 52.  
 1848: Gebler: Bul. Imp. Soc. Mosc. 21: 354.  
 1849: (Dohrn): Cat. Col. Eur. p. 61.  
 1849: Gaubil: Cat. Syn. Coleop. d'Eur. et d'Alg., p. 156.  
 1849: Redtenbacher: Fauna Austriaca, Die Kafer, p. 805.  
 1853: Zebe: Syn. d. bisher in Deutsch. aufgef. Coleop. p. 75.  
 1855: Jac. du Val: Gen. Coleop. d'Europe, p. 109.  
 1857: Lentz: Neue Verz. d. Preuss. Kafer, p. 124.  
 1858: Matheiu: Ann. Ent. Soc. Belg., 2: 197, no. 192.  
 1858: Dohrn: Cat. Coleop. Eur. p. 79.  
 1858: Redtenbacher: Fauna Austriaca, Die Kafer, ed. 2, p. 726.  
 1859: Schiodte: Berliner Entom. Zeit., p. 141.  
 1862: Schaum: Cat. Col. Eur., p.  
 1865: Thomson: Skand. Coleop., 7: 164, no. 6.  
 1866: de Marscul: Cat. Coleop. Eur. et. conf., p. 100, no. 40.  
 1868: Capiomont: Rev. d. Hyperides, p. 193, 283.  
 1876: Leconte: Rhyncophora of N. America, p. 125.  
 1877: Heyden: Jahrb. Nassau. Vereins, 29: 312.  
 1878: Schneider & Leder: Beit. kennt. Kauk. Kaferfauna, p. 287.  
 1881: Everts: Tijd. v. Entom., 24: 40.  
 1884: Bargagli: Bul. Ent. Soc. Ital., 16: 166.  
 1885: Henshaw: List Col. Am. N. of Mex., p. 137, no. 8228.  
 1889: Hamilton: Tr. Am. Ent. Soc., 16: 155, no. 453.  
 1891: Seidlitz: Fauna Transsylv. p. 676.  
 1893: Everts: Tijd. v. Entom., 36: 81.  
 1901: Petri: Monog. Coleop. Tribus Hyperini, p. 175, 201.  
 1901: Petri: Bestim. Tab. Coleop. Hft. 44, Hyperini, p. 29, 37.  
 1903: Everts: Coleop. Neerlandica, p. 602.  
 1906: Weise in H. R. & W. Cat. Col. Europ., p. 656.  
 1910: Kleine: Entom. Blatter, 6: 200.

*Curculio diversipunctatus:*

- 1798: Schrank: Fauna Boica, 1 (pt 2): 494, no. 546.

*Hypera mutabilis:*

- 1821: Germar: Germ. & Zincker Mag. 4: 341, no. 13.  
 1869: Giebel: Verz. z. Mus. Halle Wittenberg, p. 44, no. 25.

*Phytonomus mutabilis:*

- 1834: Gyllenhal in Schönherr: Gen. et sp. Curc., 2 (pt 2): 374, no. 10.  
 1844: (Dohrn): Cat. Col. Eur. p. 52.

*Hypera punctulata*:

1821: Dejean: Cat. coll. Coleop., p. 89. (Credited to Ziegler).

*Hypera elongata* var. *variabilis*:

1821: Dejean: Cat. Coleop. coll. ed. 1, p. 89 (Credited to Ziegler).

*Phytonomus elongatus* var. *variabilis*:

1833: Dejean: Cat. Coleop. coll. Dejean ed., 2, p. 264.

1837: Dejean: Cat. Coleop. coll. Dejean, ed. 3, p. 286.

*Original description*: Schrank: 1798, p. 494 5:

"Curculio diversipunctatus.

*Wohnort*:—Um Gern.

## AUSMESSUNG.

Lang vom Grunde des Ruckenschildes bis zum After .....  $2\frac{1}{2}'$   
Breit über die Flügeldecken .....  $1\frac{1}{2}'$ 

Anm. Die Fühlhörner, Schienbeine, und Fussblätter muschelbraun; Russel und Kopf braunschwarz, erhaben punctirt, mit rostgelben einzelnen sehr kurzen Harchen in den Vertiefungen. Die Flügeldecke (denn es ist nur eine einzige, ohne alle Nahe, die zugleich die Seiten des Hinterleibes ziemlich an der Bauch hinab bedeckt) schwarzlicht braun mit Punctreihen; die Puncte entfernt, vertieft. Die Flügeldecke ist mit niederliegenden grauen sehr kleinen Haaren dicht bedeckt, die ihr das Ansehen geben, als wenn sie mit rothlichen Puncten dicht besaet ware.

Vielleicht ist dieser Kafer Hrn. Herbsts *Curculio suspiciosus* und wenn das ware, so musten unsere beiderseitigen Benennungen in die viel bessere; *Curc. Millefolii* abgeandert werden, indem die Larve des Herbstischen Kafers dei Blätter der Schaafgarbe abweidet."

*Adult*: (Plate XXVII, figs. 1-2). Length 5-11 mm. (according to Capimont, although Petri saw no specimens as large as 11 mm.) Width 6 mm. (measured from three specimens Lignitz, Hildesheim, and the Greenland specimen in the Mus. Comp. Zoology).

*Body* elongate, black, rather stout, scales cleft to the base, in the specimens seen the pubescence always gray or brown, very uniformly distributed and generally of an uniform color.

*Head* with front as broad as width of eye or broader, flat, densely pubescent; eyes nearly circular in outline; *beak* scarcely narrower than front at base, about, two-thirds as long as prothorax, densely punctured, punctures often in irregular striae, keel at base very indistinct, a long groove above the antennal insertion; *antenna* inserted near the tip of the beak, pale reddish brown or reddish yellow, club darker, scape reaching over the edge of the eyes but not to their middle, not as long as the funicle, first and second funicular joints very long, the first the longer, the second as long as third and fourth united, club elongate oval, pointed, densely pubescent. The fifth funicle joint is much the smallest.

*Prothorax* broader than long, widest in front of the middle, strongly rounded, sides densely punctate, the punctures forming irregular striae, dorsum densely punctured, clothed with brown hairs, no scales present, and sometimes show a median and two side lines that are paler than the rest of the prothorax.

*Elytra* narrow at base, only slightly wider than the thorax before the middle; humeri not very prominent, sides of elytra obliquely widened

until the elytra become one-third wider than at base; deeply strongly punctate in the striae; interspaces strongly elevated (less strongly so in female according to Petri, but I can see no difference); scales gray or brown, hairs brown and never occurring in single rows on the interspaces, rather short and depressed. Scales cleft to the base, processes not elongate.

*Venter* sparsely clothed with scales and hairs, the former often metallic and not so deeply cleft as on dorsum, gray or gray-green, mesosternal process between the middle coxae elevated, narrowly triangular at the point; intercoxal process of first abdominal segment broad and subtruncate at tip, last abdominal segment longer than two previous ones united, a distinct depression on the first segment in the median line that extends onto the metasternum (at least in the male, the Greenland specimen has this portion hidden).

*Legs* rather short, stout, femora in male nearly clavate, anterior tibiae of male slightly curved, hind tibiae with a curved spine (said by Petri to be long) inside at the tip, crown of tibial spines short, stout, yellow. All the legs sparsely clothed with gray or silvery gray hairs. The mucronate process on hind tibiae appears to be widened at the tip and slightly emarginate.

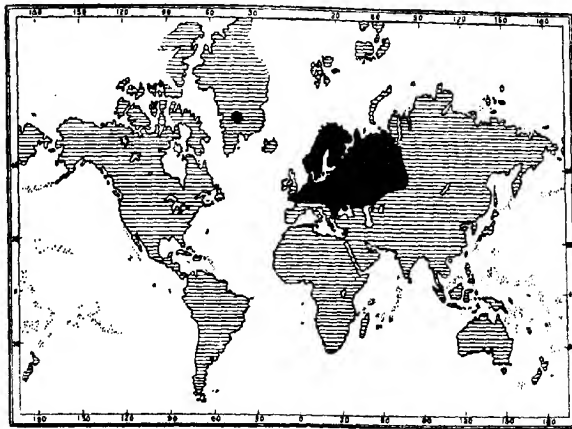
One of the specimens seen shows a tendency to be tessellated on the alternate interspaces beginning with the sutural one, the maculae being brown on a gray background, but they are very indistinct.

*Larvæ*: Lucas von Heyden (1877) in his *Kafer Nassau* states that his father, C. H. von Heyden, took the larvæ of this species when sweeping for insects in a meadow back of Offenbach (Germany) in May, near the end of the month; they were green with a white dorsal median line and in June changed to pupæ without spinning a cocoon! "*Ohne*" is quoted either to emphasize the fact or to note that it was so in the notes of his father. He quotes then the description of the larvæ of *Phy. plantaginis* given by DeGeer, stating that the larvæ of *Phy. elongatus* is much like this description. However *plantaginis* spins a cocoon as both DeGeer and Heyden note and DeGeer's description would fit almost any green *Phytonomus* larva.

*Distribution*: The species was described by Paykull from Sweden as *Curc. elongatus*. Schrank's specimens of *diversipunctatus* were from "Gern." Capiomont reports the species from North and Middle Europe, N. France, Belgium and England. Petri from E. Prussia and various points in Germany, Austria and Hungary.

The species is here included because of a single specimen received by Leconte from Chr. Drewsen from Greenland and now in the collection of Mus. Comp. Zool. at Cambridge, Mass. This one specimen is identical with European specimens I have in my collection.

The name *elongatus* is preoccupied by a Fabrician species (1775), and must give way to *diversipunctatus* of Schrank or *mutabilis* Germar (1821). Germar states under his description of *mutabilis* that it is scarcely different from *diversipunctatus* Schrank. A comparison of the two descriptions leads me to believe that they are the same species. So far as I can ascertain no one has since Schönherr's Monograph mentioned Schrank's species, while *mutabilis* is generally considered a synonym of *elongatus*.



MAP 5. Distribution of *Phytonomus diversipunctatus* Schrank over world (page 61).

The species appears to be more common in the northern parts of Europe and is recorded by Zetterstedt and others from Greenland, Finland, Norway and Sweden. Gebler records it from Barnaul, Siberia, as rare. Walton states the Stephens, Curtis, and other early English references to this species are incorrect, that they did not possess "*elongatus*" and that it is doubtful whether it occurs in the British Isles. Fowler says very rare, but I believe he is referring to the earlier writers' notice of the species and not to any records that were certain. I have been unable to find further references to the names *palustris*, *variabilis* and *punctulata* than those given in the Dejean catalogues. It does not appear to me that the Dejean species were really described. Gyllenhal's *palustris* is certainly not this species.

Kleine gives as food plants *Plantago major* and *P. media*.

*Distribution:* Type locality: Kadiak Island, Alaska, one specimen collected by H. J. Holmberg in August, 1851. Mannerheim relates that Holmberg was picking raspberries and found this, the only beetle taken on the island, on a berry.

Through the kindness of E. C. Van Dyke and of Prof. Trevor Kincaid I have had the opportunity of examining three specimens of this species. One very perfect male (coll. Van Dyke) collected by Trevor Kincaid on Pribilof Islands viii-15-97; and a fine female collected by Mr. Kincaid on St. Paul Island, viii-15-97, and loaned from his collection; the third a specimen collected by Mr. F. E. Blaisdell at Nome, Alaska, it is also a male and a very dark form with the scales much sparser and grayer. The specimen belongs to Mr. Van Dyke. Both males have the tip of the penis projecting and have the mucronate process at the tip of the hind tibiae. Mr. Kincaid (*in litt.*) states that he has another specimen remaining from those collected by him.

Prof. Washburn sent me from the Lugger collection, one specimen of this species collected in "Alaska." This is probably the specimen mentioned as *P. pubicollis* by R. L. Webster (1909).

In the collection of the U. S. Nat. Museum are several specimens of this species collected, according to Mr. Schwarz, by the International Seal Expedition.

This is an interesting species on account of its scale and hair formation bringing it between *pubicollis* and *trivittatus*. Further collections from this region will doubtless give us evidence of a greater distribution and it may be that the species occurs on both continents. Some of the Siberian forms described are impossible for me to separate from several European forms, especially from *P. suspiciosus*, on account of the meager descriptions, but this latter species can be readily separated from *P. seriatus* by the scale and hair characters, the hind tibiae and the last abdominal segment.

#### ***Phytonomus trivittatus* Say.**

##### *Phytonomus trivittatus:*

- 1831: Say: Desc. N. American Curculionides, p. 12-13.
- 1859: Leconte: Comp. Writings of Thomas Say, 1: 273-4.
- 1873: Crotch: Cat. Coleop. N. America, p. 118, no. 6998.
- 1876: Leconte: Rhyncophora of N. America, p. 430, app. sp. 7 (unrecog.)
- 1885: Henshaw: Cat. Coleop. Am. N. of Mex., p. 137.
- 1909: Webster, R. L.: Entom. News, 20: 81.

*Hypera trivittata*:

1880: Austin: Supp. Check List Coleop. N. Am., p. 45, no. 8889.

*Phytonomus setigerus*:

1876: Leconte: Rhyncophora of N. America, p. 125, no. 3, p. 415.

1885: Henshaw: Cat. Coleop. Am. N. of Mex., p. 137, no. 8229.

1889: Kilman: Canad. Entomologist, 21: 136.

1890: Wickham: Canad. Entom., 22: 171.

1903: Evans: Canad. Entom., 35: 319.

1909: Webster, R. L.: Entom. News, 20: 81.

*Hypera setigera*:

1880: Austin: Supp. Check List Coleop. of N. Amer., p. 45, no. 8883.

*Phytonomus castor*:

1909: Kwiat: Entom. News, 20: 335 (nec *castor* Lec.)

1909: Titus: Journ. Ec. Entom., 2: 149.

1910: Titus: Bul. 110, Utah Agr. Exp. Sta., p. 72.

*Original description*: Say, 1831, p. 12:

"*P. trivittatus*. Blackish-brown with numerous scale-like hairs.

Inhabits North-west Territory.

Body blackish-brown, with numerous robust hairs almost resembling scales, which are longer in three yellowish metallic thoracic vittæ of which the lateral ones are broader and terminate in a spot on the humerus; the vittæ and spot are pale brownish cinereous; antennæ rufous; elytra with large costal spots, interstitial lines obsoletely alternating with blackish and pale brown-cinereous; suture behind the middle also pale brown-cinereous; thighs beneath near the tip emarginate; anterior tibiæ a little incurved at tip.

Length one-fifth of an inch."

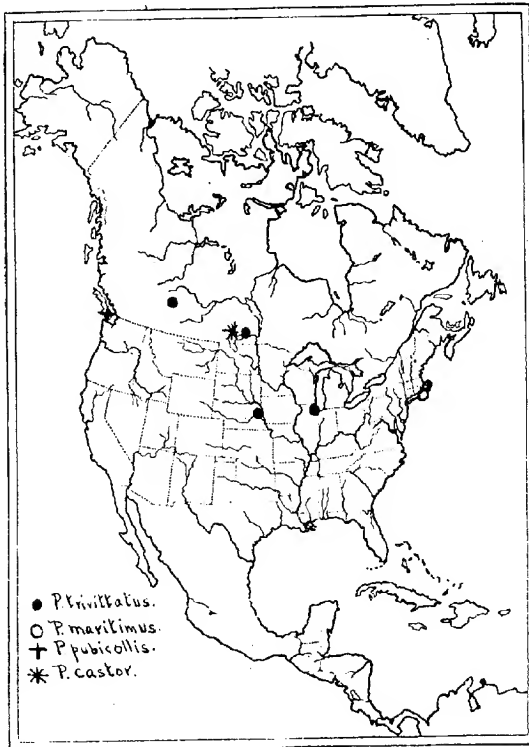
*Adult*: (Plate XXIX, figs. 1-5). Length 3.75-6.5 mm. Width 1.5-3.5 mm.

Black or dark brownish red, elongate oval, usually densely pubescent with scales and hairs. Legs black or reddish-black.

*Head* densely closely pubescent with long slender hairs the pubescence extending some distance down the beak; especially dense on the front which between the eyes is narrower than the width of a single eye; beak with a smooth flat carina or keel, possessing above the antennal groove a long shallow narrow impression. sides and tip of beak more or less sparsely finely punctured, with a few long slender hairs. Some of the hairs on the head above and behind the eyes are broader. *Eyes* elongate oval, without a fovea behind; *antennal groove* deep, strongly sloping towards the base of the eyes; *antennæ* rufous or reddish testaceous, scape reaching the margin of the eye, at least as long as the first six joints of the funicle, first funicular joint stout, one-half longer than the second which is distinctly longer than the third, club elongate-oval, darker and finely densely pubescent, more or less pointed at tip.

*Prothorax* narrowest anteriorly, strongly widely rounded near the middle, but nowhere as wide as the elytra at their base; the dorsum with a narrow light median longitudinal line bordered on each side by a much wider dark line or band, and beyond these on the edge the scales are again light, the lower part of the sides and part of the venter with dark scales; the side band of light scales extends back onto the elytra near the humeri and in one specimen partially covers it, in the others examined

the humeri are very dark. Thoracic hairs all pale, striate or ribbed thick at the base and near the tip pointed, there are narrow clongate scales and wider scales emarginate at the tip and in the wider forms the processes are more prolonged; no fringe of forward directed hairs on the anterior border beneath; prothorax polished, punctures circular, rather deep, and distinctly separated.



MAP 7. Distribution of *Phytonomus trivittatus* Say, *maritimus* Titus, *pubicollis* Lec., and *castor* Lec.

*Elytra* about four times as long as prothorax along the dorsum, or in some specimens longer; striae very distinct, their punctures especially so on the dorsum, in each black circular puncture there is a short stout hair; the interspaces have elongate hairs which are thickened and ribbed for two-thirds of their length and then abruptly narrowed on one side and slender to the point; scales of the elytra striate only slightly emarginate, points produced as long slender processes. All the elytral and

most of the thoracic hairs are more or less decumbent, curved backward, especially on the prothorax and near the base of the elytra. Alternate interspaces often tessellated with dark brown, especially on the sides. Hairs on interspaces white, except for an occasional black one, humeral spot very large and distinct, brownish-gray or even black or part-colored, this spot extending back on the interspaces for a considerable distance; a dark common central basal elytral spot is present.

*Venter* with scales of under side of thorax shorter and wider, on the abdomen some are arranged in transverse rows at the posterior margins of the segments; mesosternal process between the middle coxæ elevated, curved backward, narrowly elongate and ending in a sharp point; a short triangularly produced process from the prosternum is also evident between the front coxæ; intercoxal process of first abdominal segment rounded broadly to a point.

*Legs* vary from black to reddish-brown, all the femora darker than tibiae and covered with long narrow emarginate scales, the points of which are very long and slender; crown of spines on anterior tibiae yellow and blunt; tibiae and tarsi hairy, first three joints extremely setose beneath with silvery hairs; front femora of the male not strongly curved.

The declivity of the elytra in this species is very evident as will be seen from the illustration, but not as great as in *P. maritimus*, where it extends quite to the tip.

*Distribution:* Type locality for *trivittatus*; "North-west Territory," and for *setigerus*: "Kansas." The type specimens of *setigerus* are in the Leconte coll. in Mus. Comp. Zoology, type no. 398; there are two specimens marked type.

*Dominion of Canada:* Manitoba: Aweme, iv-23-10 (E. Criddle).

*Alberta:* "Edmonton, Ont." (James White) Kikman records this specimen in 1897, I have not seen it.

*British Columbia:* "Ft. McLeod, N. W. Ter." (U. S. N. M.) Vancouver Id. (Wickham), recorded in 1890, specimen not seen.

*United States:* Illinois: Palos Park (Kwiat) vi-28-07 (coll. Wolcott, Fall, Titus, Liebeck).

Nebraska: West Point, 4-88 (U. S. N. M.).

New Mexico: Gallinas Can. (Snow) R. L. Webster *in litt.*

The Ft. McLeod record is possibly from one of the specimens reported by Evans (1903) as collected by John MacCoun in "Northwest Territory of Canada." Through Dr. Hewitt, Mr. J. D. Evans has loaned one specimen which is labeled "N. W. T. Can. J. M. 1879."

*Food Plants and Life History:* The Palos Park, Illinois, specimens were bred by A. Kwiat from larvæ collected on a



ground pea *Lathyrus venosus* 30 May, 1907; they spun reticulate white cocoons, one of which I have seen, and transformed to adults June 28, 1907. Mr. A. B. Wolcott tells me that he also has bred it from the same locality and that the larva is deep green in color. The cocoon is pure white and rather loosely woven.

***Phytonomus maritimus* new species.**

*Phytonomus runcicis*:

1909: Webster, R. L.: Entom News, 20: 81.

*Adult*: (Plate XXIX, figs. 8-9). Length, 5 to 6.5 mm. Width 2 to 2.5 mm. Stoutest and thicker than *trivittatus*, elytra much more declivous; reddish black, clothed with pale yellow scales and white and black hairs.

*Head* densely pubescent with rather stout hairs, a few notched at tip; *beak* with a smooth median *carina*, *front* between eyes narrow, an elongate, narrow, polished groove above the antennal groove; *eyes* elongate oval rather large; antennal groove deep, black, smooth; *antennae* reddish, scope reaching margin of eyes, longer than first six funicle joints, club elongate oval, second and third joints shortest, fourth rather long pointed at tip, entire club finely pubescent with gray hairs.

*Prothorax* not polished, narrower in front than behind, widest in middle, shaped much as in *trivittatus* but sides are fuller and more rounded; punctures large, often confluent; dorsum of prothorax with two wide dark bands separated by a very narrow, light line, sides darker than center line; in some specimens the dorsum is entirely light. Scales broad, deeply emarginate, striate; hairs stout, white and usually notched at tip, sides parallel; scutellum very minute, covered with fine gray or white pubescence.

*Elytra* at base but slightly wider than prothorax, one of the Nantucket Id., specimens tessellated almost all over, the darker spots alternating along the central line; elevations between striae, each with a single row of white hairs, each hair stout, parallel-sided and notched at tip; striae with a fine short pointed white hair in each puncture. All the hairs semi-decumbent; scales on the elytra more elongate than on thorax, processes more slender and pointed; the dark spots are velvety black scales, rarely with a black hair on the part of the interspaces where they occur; there is a tendency on all the specimens for a black band to occur on the third interspace beginning at the base of each elytron and gradually fading out.

*Venter*; scales more of the shape of those on the elytra than of the thoracic scales, prosternal process short, triangularly pointed; mesosternal process between middle coxae long, curved, pointed; intercoxal process of third abdominal (first visible) segment broad, rounded almost to the center and terminating in a short, sharp point. In the male this segment is emarginate posteriorly.

*Legs*; dark red, clothed in front with elongate emarginate scales. tibial crown of spines pale red or yellowish red, a distinct emarginate process on each tibia at the tip, not as prominent as in *seriatus*.

The declivity of the elytra is extremely prominent and extends quite to the tip. The scales beneath the elytra on the abdomen are sparse except for a dense fringe on each segment posteriorly.

**Distribution:** (See Map 7). Type: U. S. N. M., Nantucket Id.

**Massachusetts:** Nantucket Island (U. S. N. M., Field Col. Mus., Bolter Coll. Univ. of Ill.); Edgartown Martha's Vineyard Id. vi-27-10 Johnson (Coll. Bost. Soc. Nat. Hist.); Chatham, vii-14-07 (Coll. Frost).

The Nantucket Island specimens are, I believe, all from the same lot and were probably collected by H. Soltau. They have stood in the various collections under the name of *Phytomus rumicis* L. They, however, do not belong to this group of the genus. One of the specimens is marked collected on vetch, and another specimen "on *Vicia sativa*."

Superficially the species resembles *P. murinis* Fab. more than *P. trivittatus* Say but it belongs in the group with the latter species.

***Phytomus castor* Leconte.**

***Phytomus castor*:**

- 1876: Leconte: Rhynchophora of N. America, p. 126, 415.
- 1885: Henshaw: Cat. Coleop. Am. N. of Mex., p. 137., no. 8233.
- 1909: Webster, R. L.: Entom. News, 20: 81.
- 1910: Titus: Journ. Ec. Entom., 3: 470.

***Hypera castor*:**

- 1880: Austin: Supp. Check List N. Am. Coleop., p. 45. no.

**Adult:** (Plate XXX, figs. 7-9). Length 5-5.5 mm. Width 1.8-1.9 mm.

Black, elongate oval, small, densely pubescent with fine gray and black scales and hairs. Legs black or reddish black.

**Head** covered with very fine hairs and with scales which are cleft to the base or nearly so; *front* as wide as eye, in one specimen wider, with a distinct fovea; *eyes* elongate oval, narrower below; *beak* shorter than prothorax, widened at the polished tip which is jet black, sparsely punctured, along groove above the point of antennal insertion on the dorsal carina which is very indistinct; *antennae* inserted very near the tip, the groove deep and wide, scape polished reddish yellow, reaching almost to the eyes (in one specimen almost black), longer than the seven funicular joints, first funicle joint about one-third longer than second, which is longer than third; club pointed, finely, densely pubescent, darker than remainder of antennae.

**Prothorax** longer than wide, narrowed in front, sides rounded, widest in front of middle, densely punctured, clothed with numerous brown and white hairs and with gray or grayish-black scales cleft to the base; distinctly trivittate with white in some, in others there is scarcely a trace of the lighter lines; scales on sides and venter of prothorax sometimes shorter and broader, metallic in color, but always deeply cleft.

*Scutellum* minute, triangular, clothed with pale scales.

*Elytra* one-third wider than prothorax at their widest point, back of the middle, at base scarcely one-quarter wider; humeri distinct, clothed with jet black scales; interspaces elevated, each with a more or less complete row of white or brownish-white setae, processes of the scales more slender and elongate, causing the pubescence to lap over the striae; where the striae punctures can be seen they contain very short pale setae; the type specimen has beautiful pearl-gray scales intermixed with brown and black scales to form an almost completely tessellated surface; other specimens seen possess the tessellation on parts of elytra, costal edge of elytra of all specimens seen covered with paler scales.

*Venter* with gray or brownish gray scales and short white setae, on the abdomen the scales are arranged in transverse rows; mesosternal process between the middle coxae somewhat elevated, linear, apparently with a triangular point (very densely covered with scale); intercoxal process of third abdominal segment broadly truncate.

*Legs* with femora and coxae black, tibiae and tarsi dark brown or reddish brown, femora clothed in front with scales, elsewhere the legs are covered with hairs; tibial crown of spines pale.

*Distribution:* Type locality "Canada" 1 specimen, Mus. Comp. Zool.; also Aweme, Manitoba, 24-vi-09 (N. Criddle). All the specimens seen are males. Life history is not known. The species is very closely related to *P. trivittatus* Say and to the European *P. viciae*.

#### *Phytonomus pubicollis* Leconte.

*Phytonomus pubicollis:*

1876: Leconte: Rhynchophora of N. America, p. 125, no. 5, p. 415.

1885: Henshaw, Cat. Coleop. Am. N. of Mex., p. 137, no. 8232.

*Hypera pubicollis:*

1880: Austin: Supp. Check List Coleop. N. Am., p. 45, no. 8886.

*Adult:* (Plate XXIX, figs. 10-12). Length 3.2-4.5 mm. Width 1.5 mm.

Black or reddish black, rather stout, clothed with fine gray or brownish gray pubescence of scales and hairs; legs black.

*Head* clothed with gray or yellow-brown hairs; *front* narrow, not as wide as one of the eyes; a distinct fovea between eyes on front; eyes oval, not prominent; *back* two-thirds as long as prothorax, polished near the tip, sparsely punctured, a groove above the insertion of the antennae, not carinate, projections above tip of antennal groove more evident than in any species but *seriatus*; *antennal* groove black, polished; *antennae* rufous or piceous, scape reaching to the margin of the eyes, but not longer than the funicle, first funicular joint much longer than second, or as long as second and third united, second nearly twice as long as third, the funicle joints are darker from the third on and the club is dark, densely pubescent with fine hairs, oval, pointed.

*Prothorax* almost quadrate, a little wider in the middle and narrowed anteriorly, never nearly as wide as elytra at base, clothed with brown, gray and white hairs and intermixed scales; the scales are deeply,

roundly emarginate, the processes long and slender, scales never cleft; thorax polished, closely densely punctured. There is an obsolete-trivittation on the thorax caused by a few pale scales in the center and on the side in longitudinal lines, the intermediate bands are of brown scales.

*Elytra* at base at least one-third wider than prothorax, humeri rounded with dark scales (sometimes almost black), striae, especially the first and second, deeply punctured, interspaces elevated, a quadrate common spot at base reaching the second interspace, darker brown in color (more evident in type specimen); interspaces clothed with gray and brown scales alternating with brown and black tessellations, especially evident on the last third of the sutural space; hairs or bristles decumbent, sparse on the dorsum at the base, more numerous behind and lying closer to the scales. From the side the elytra show a distinct elevation about two-thirds of the distance towards the tip, then are rapidly obliquely slanted to the blunt tip.

*Venter* clothed with fine deeply emarginate scales, a depression on the first and last segments; mesosternal process between middle coxae very narrow, linear, elevated, clothed with paler scales; intercoxal process of first segment not broad, pointed.

*Legs* with femora black or brownish black, tibiae and tarsi testaceous, claws and last tarsal joint sometimes darker; posterior tibiae with a very short crown of spines, anterior tibiae strongly curved inward, anterior femora deeply contracted near the apex.

*Distribution:* (See Map 7). Type locality "Vanc. Id.", one specimen, a male, in the Leconte collection, Mus. Comp. Zoology.

I have examined one other specimen, also a male, from Vancouver Island, loaned me by Mr. H. C. Fall, Pasadena, Cal.

R. L. Webster (1909) determined a specimen from Alaska in the Lugger collection as this species. I have seen but one specimen from this collection marked Alaska and it is *P. seriatus* Mann.

#### *Phytonomus meles* Fabricius.

##### *Curculio griseus:*

- 1776: Muller: Zool. Dan. Prodr. Anim., p. 88 (nec. Fabricius 1775).
- 1790: Gmelin: Linn. Syst. Nat. ed. xiii, p. 1757, no. 204.
- 1827: Gyllenhal: Ins. Suecica, 1 (pt. 4 spp.): 372, no. 40.

##### *Curculio meles:*

- 1792: Fabricius: Syst. Ent. emend., 1 (pt. 2): 406, no. 300.
- 1795: Fabricius: Nomen. Entomologicus, p. C.
- 1795: Herbst: Nat. Ins. Kafer, 6: 495.
- 1795: Panzer: Entom. Germanica, p. 325, no. 148.
- 1795: Weber: Nomen. Entom. sec. E. S. Fab., p. 56.
- 1796: Fabricius: Ind. Alphabeticus, E. S. Emend., p. 57.
- 1801: Fabricius: Syst. Eleutherat., 2: 523, no. 97.
- 1828: Boitard: Mand. Entom., 1: 407.

##### *Brachyrhinus meles:*

- 1804: Latreille: Hist. nat. Gen. et pare., 11: 165, no. 31.

*Rhynchaenus meles:*

- 1813: Gyllenhal: Ins. Suec., 3 (pt 3): 97, no. 29 *pedestris*.  
 1820: Billberg: Enumerat. Ins., p. 42.  
 1828: Zetterstedt: Fauna Ins. Lapponica, 1: 319, no. 35.  
 1840: Zetterstedt: Ins. Lapponica, p. 179.

*Hypera meles:*

- 1821: Germar: Germ. & Zinck. Mag., 4: 340, no. 9.  
 1833: Villa: Cat. Coleop. Eur. dupl. coll. Villa, p.  
 1844: Villa: Cat. dei Coleop. della Lombardia, p.  
 1848: Walton: Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (2) 1: 299, no. 12.  
 1849: Walton: Stett. Entom. Zeit., 10: 261.  
 1861: Waterhouse: Cat. British Coleop., p. 71, no. 12.  
 1863: Lacordaire: Hist. nat. Ins. Coleop., 6: 401.  
 1869: Kraatz: Verz. Käfer Deutschland, p. 52.  
 1871: Kirsh: Berl. Ent. Zeit. 15. 189.  
 1871: Gemminger et Harold: Cat. Coleop., 8: 2383.  
 1877: Stein & Weise: Cat. Col. Eur. ed. 2, p. 143.  
 1874: Redtenbacher: Fauna Austriaca, Käfer, 2. 254.  
 1879: Tacshenberg: Die Käfer und Haubflugler, 2: 123.  
 1880: Koppen: Die Schaflichen Ins. Russlands, p. 209.  
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"300. *C. brevirostris griseus thoracis dorso fusco linea albida, elytis nigro punctatis, sutura ante apicem albida.*

"*Habitat in Germania. Dom Smidt.*

"*Paullo minor C. corali. Caput griseum rostro cylindrico, nigro. Thorax supra griseus dorso lato, fusco linea media grisea. Elytra striata, mox grisea. mox magis ferruginea, nigro punctata sutura ante apicem linea distincta, albida. Pedes concolores.*"

*Adult*: (Plate XXIV, figs. 9, 15, 16; Plate XXX, figs. 4-6). Length 3.5-5 mm. Width 1.7-2.1 mm.

Black or reddish black, elongate-oval, small, sides of elytra nearly parallel; scales cleft to the base, hairs never long and erect.

*Head* small, finely closely regularly punctured; *front* very narrow, never as wide as the eye, densely pubescent; *beak* long slender, cylindrical, curved, in female longer than thorax; distinct central keel terminating opposite the antennal insertion in a wider smooth portion which possesses an elongate depression, one or more rather regular punctured striae on the sides; tip reddish, smooth, polished sparsely punctured and with a few long hairs; *eyes* elongate oval, large; *antennae* yellowish red or red, inserted near apex of beak, scape reaches margin of the eyes, first funicle joint twice as long as second, following except third shorter than broad, seventh very broad, club oval, pointed, densely pubescent.

*Prothorax* very wide, sometimes one-fourth wider than long, widest about the middle, sides strongly widely rounded, anterior margin narrower than posterior, dorsum almost flat, densely punctured, but punctures distinctly separated by smooth shining part of prothorax; usually rather sparsely covered with metallic gray or pale brown scales. a long central paler line may be generally distinguished, and the sides are uniformly paler, the bands between are often irregular in width.

*Scutellum* paler, small distinct, narrowly triangulate.

*Elytra* at base scarcely wider than prothorax in widest part, nearly rectangular, very slightly rounded at sides, humeri rounded somewhat prominent; finely striately punctate, interspaces a very little elevated. scales rather uniform in color over the elytra, but in some specimens the elytra are almost entirely tessellated with dark brown on a paler brown background; sutural scale often darker than others especially in front; all the scales sometimes metallic green or gray or brown gray or even

dark brown. Hairs black, dark brown or white placed on interspaces, curved, directed backward, never erect, not placed in regular rows on the interspaces.

*Venter* not so densely scaled, gray or pale brown, terminal abdominal segment with long gray hairs; third abdominal segment of the male with a shallow impression near the center; intercoxal process of third segment truncately broad but ending in a short triangular point, the segment closely deeply punctured, more so than in any other species studied; mesosternal process between the middle coxæ elevated, narrowly triangular.

*Legs* short, femora stout, thickened; fore tibiae of male curved inward, femora scaled in front, remainder of legs hairy, femora darker than tibiae and tarsi but not black, remainder of legs reddish yellow to nearly black, tarsi usually a little paler.

*Egg*: White or very pale yellow when first laid, oval, sculptured with fine hexagonal depressions. Length 0.40 to 0.45 mm., width 0.25 to 0.30 mm.

*Larva*: (Laboulbène 1862, and Brischke 1871): These authors state that the larvæ are deep green, first thoracic segment yellow, a long whitish-yellow median stripe interrupted on the posterior edge of each segment, another paler line below the black spiracles. Head yellow beneath, dark in front, anterior border almost straight, sides rounded, labrum emarginate with eight short stout hairs, mandibles tridentate, brownish, black at tips; prothoracic segment with an rectangular brown or blackish band across it, interrupted in the middle, the other two segments lack this band (as is usual in the other species examined); color of abdominal segments varying from yellow to clear green or dirty yellow, the median line is wide and evident. The first thoracic segment has three rows of fine brownish tubercles (Brischke) the other segment with two tubercles on the front part and six pairs in the second row; the anal segment without tubercles. All the tubercles possess hairs which Laboulbène states are on the tubercles of the dorsum short, stout and clavate at tips; tenth, eleventh and twelfth have longer hairs, not clavate. The second series of enlargements have on the thorax each three hairs.

The description of Laboulbène is long and very complete, but I have quoted here only the essential parts since he states that he had the larvæ of a variety "*Phytonomus meles* var. *trifolii*" and that it is different from the larvæ of *meles*. Personally I believe the variety is only a form that may occur in any generation but it will probably be better to leave a full description of this species until we can secure larvæ in America for the purpose.

*Cocoon*: According to Laboulbène the cocoon is ovoid or oval, white or amber color and remarkable for its reticulations.

*Pupa*: Laboulbène only states that there is nothing in particular to describe.





(coll. Conn. Agr. Exp. Sta.); Meriden (Britton in litt. May 29, 1911); Colebrook, June, 1911 (Titus); Hartford, June, 1911 (Titus).

*New Jersey:* Ramsey, 31 May, 1908 (Schaeffer); Hewit (Schaeffer); Rahway, 23 July (Bischoff); Newfoundland, 30 May (Bischoff); Lake Hopatcong, 30 May (J. A. Grossbeck). Also Mt. View (Bischoff in litt).

Mr. E. A. Bischoff writes me that this is the species listed as *Phytomus castor* in the Smith Cat. Ins. of New Jersey. He states further, "Mr. Dow from New York was the first to collect it at Rockaway Beach and had it identified as *castor*. He was kind enough to let me have a pair; Mr. Grossbeck of New Brunswick collected it at L. Hopatcong and let me have another pair, after which I collected it at Mountain View, Newfoundland, and Rahway, N. J."

Mr. R. P. Dow (in litt. 16 May, 1911) states that he first collected this species in June, 1907, in the "Rockaway Washup." In 1908, he collected specimens in a back lot in Brooklyn and received specimens from Torre Bueno collected in White Plains. Mr. Dow states that he took the same species in Claremont, N. H., "June 23-29, 1909-10."

*Food Plants and Life History:* Gyllenhal and Germar both report the species as feeding on clover in Europe, and Herbst certainly must have taken his *trifolii* from clover. Kaltenbach (1874) notes that it feeds on young shoots of lucern; Brischke reported it as feeding on lucern in Germany, and Laboulbène took it from *Trifolium pratense* in France.

Kleine gives the food plants as *Medicago sativa*, *M. falcata*, *M. lupulina*, *M. media*, *Trifolium pratense* and *T. incarnatum*. It has been reported as causing injury in Germany, Austria and Southeast Russia to lucern.

Dr. E. P. Felt bred his specimens at Albany, N. Y., from red clover.

Dr. Britton very kindly sent me living specimens collected by Mr. Champlain at New Haven, in May. From these I secured eggs. The eggs were deposited on and in the stems and leaf petioles of clover and alfalfa and on blossoms of clover. Five to nine in a place in the stems and singly in the other situations.

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 1911: Gibson: 41st Rpt. Ent. Soc. Ont., p. 12.
- Curculio variabilis*:  
 1781: Fabricius: Spec. Insect., 1: 67, no. 34.  
 1787: Fabricius: Mant. Ins., p. 100, no. 45.  
 1789: Villers: Entom. Fauna Suec., 1: 187, no. 45; 4: 267, no. 45.  
 1790: Gmelin: Linn. Syst. Nat. ed. xiii. p. 1744, no. 105.  
 1790: Olivier: Hist. Nat. Ins., 5: 483, no. 56.  
 1792: Fabricius: Ent. Syst., 1 (pt 2): 407, no. 57.  
 1795: Fabricius: Nomen. Entom., p. T.  
 1795: Panzer: Entom. German., p. 302, no. 20.  
 1796: Fabricius: Ind. Alfab. E. S. emend., p. 58.  
 1797: Bergstrasser: Epit. Ent. Fab. Norren., p. 67.
- Curculio nigrirostris* var. *variabilis*:  
 1792: Paykull: Monog. Curc., p. 56, liii.  
 1795: Herbst: Nat. Ins. Kafer, 6: 281, no. 254, var. 4.  
 1855: Nordlinger: Die Kleiner Feinde Landw., p. 153.
- Rhynchaenus variabilis*:  
 1801: Fabricius: Syst. Eleuth., 2: 448, no. 54.  
 1802: Fabricius: Ind. G. et sp. Syst. Eleuth., p. 69.  
 1805: Illiger: Mag. f. Insektenkunde, 4: 141, no. 54.  
 1817: v. Beck: Beit. z. Baiersch. Insektenfauna, p. 42, no. 74.  
 1822: Illiger: Mag. f. Insektenkunde, ed. 2, 4: 141, no. 54.
- Rhynchaenus nigrirostris* var. *variabilis*:  
 1813: Gyllenhal: Ins. Suecica, 1 (pt 3): 115, no. 42, var. d.  
 1828: Boitard: Man. d' Entom., 1: 422.

*Phytonomus nigrirostris* var. *variabilis*:

- 1858: Mathieu: Ann. Ent. Soc. Belg., 2: 198, no. 205, var.  
 1901: Petri: Monogr. d. Coleop.—Tribus Hyperini, p. 202.  
 1901: Petri: Bestim.—Tab. Coleop., Hft. 44, Hyperini, p. 39.

*Curculio virescens*:

- 1790: Quensel: Diss. ign. Insect., p. 16.

*Curculio fulvipes*:

- 1801: Turton: Gen. Sys. Nat., 2: 215 (syn. by Stephens).  
 1802: Stewart: Elem. Nat. Hist., 2: 54 (syn. by Stephens).

*Phytonomus steirlini*:

- 1868: Capiomont: Rev. d. Hyperides, p. 223.

*Hypera steirlini*: Gemminger & Harold: Cat. Coleop. 8: 2387.

- 1871: Gemminger & Harold: Cat. Coleop., 8: 2387.  
 1871: Kirsch: Berl. Ent. Zeit., 15: 191.

*Hypera nigrirostris* var. *steirlini*:

- 1891: Weise in H. R. & W.: Cat. Coleop. Eur., p. 303.

*Phytonomus nigrirostris* var. *steirlini*:

- 1901: Petri: Monogr. Coleop. Tribus Hyperini, p. 202.  
 1901: Petri: Bestim.—Tab. Coleop. Hft. 44, Hyperini, p. 37.  
 1906: Weise in H. R. & W.: Cat. Coleop. Eur., p. 656.

*Eirrhinus viridis*:

- 1877: Provancher: Petite Fauna ent. Can., 1: 518.

*Phytonomus nigrirostris* var. *hirtus*:

- 1901: Petri: Monogr. Coleop. Tribus Hyperini, p. 165, 202.  
 1901: Petri: Bestim.—Tab. Coleop. Hft. 44, Hyperini, p. 37.  
 1906: Weise in H. R. & W.: Cat. Coleop. Eur., p. 656.

*Original description*: Fabricius, 1775, p. 132, as *Curculio nigrirostris*.

"*nigrirostris*. 24. *C. longirostris*, *viridis*, *rostro atro*.

Habitat in Anglia. D. Banks.

*Caput fuscum, rostro cylindrico, atro, nitido. Thorax gibbus, rotundatus, viridis, lineis duabus dorsalibus, fuscis. Elytra tomentosa, viridis, immaculata. Pedes fuscii, femoribus simplicibus.*"

*Adult*: (Plate XXX, fig. 1). Length 3.5–4.5 mm. Width 1.3–1.7 mm. Yellowish-red to black, elongate-oval or elongate; scales cleft to the base, metallic gray-green, yellowish, gray-brown, green, deep green or blue green, apparently depending upon the maturity of the specimen.

*Head* densely black, small, closely finely punctured, clothed with fine pale hairs; *front* narrower than eyes; *beak* as long as prothorax or longer (in female especially so) curved, cylindrical, polished, with a median dorsal keel the whole length, interrupted above the antennal insertion by an elongate narrow depression; *eyes* much elongated, narrowed below, an indistinct fovea on the front between the eyes; *antennal groove* narrow, black, punctured; *antennae* red or yellowish-red, scape reaching almost to middle of eye, first funicle joint not twice as long as second, joints three to seven becoming regularly shorter and broader, seventh broadly oval, club not elongate-oval, dark, densely pubescent, the remainder of the antennae with many fine white hairs.

*Prothorax* one-third longer than wide, coarsely punctured, pubescent, the narrow anterior margin polished, sides almost parallel a little widened one-third of distance from anterior margin, posterior edge wider than anterior; clothed with scales deeply cleft, hairs sparse, more on anterior edge and on sides; each puncture on the sides has a scale set in

it; dorsum often with a median longitudinal pale green line bounded by rich darker bands of scales that reach to edge, the sides paler.

*Elytra* elongate-oval, at base slightly rounded, sides nearly parallel, humeri prominent and usually darker; striae distinctly punctate; interspaces somewhat elevated posteriorly; scales may be uniformly of one color, or the alternate interspaces with scales of different shades of the same color or of different colors, or the elytra spotted with more or less indistinct gray or brown maculae on a green or gray-brown background, especially along the suture; edges often with pale or reddish-brown scales on the last or last two interspaces, at the apex this coloration extends forward for some distance on each side of the suture; hairs or bristles white or black, varying in length, at base, but uniformly longer behind and usually more erect. There appears to be a tendency in this as in other species having both black and white hairs to have the colors alternating on the interspaces but this is not a fixed rule. Some specimens have a blue green longitudinal stripe on the seventh and eighth, or seventh to ninth interspaces.

*Venter* on the thoracic portions coarsely punctured, abdominal segments with the punctures finer; intercoxal process of first abdominal segment nearly triangular; mesosternal process angularly elevated between the middle coxae, narrowly triangular, never linear or parallel sided, last abdominal segment longer than two previous ones, in the male with an impression on the disk.

*Legs* varying in color, even in matured specimens from red or reddish brown to very dark red or more rarely black; clothed with fine pale or silvery hairs sparsely set, never with scales, except on coxae; femora stout, anterior tibiae of male strongly curved with the apical process distinct, claws and upper side of tarsal joints often darker, pads of tarsal joints silvery-white.

*Egg*: Ovoid pale-greenish, surface distinctly sculptured, not as hexagonal in specimens examined as in *Hyp. punctata* eggs. The eggs darken as incubation progresses and become almost jet black, and shining. "Length, 0.55 mm. to 0.63 mm.; width, 0.35 mm. to 0.36 mm." according to Hyslop and Webster in Bul. 85, 1909. I have not had enough specimens to care to furnish data as to length at the present time, since mine seems to vary more than that given above.

*Larvæ*: early stages: "The newly hatched larva is 1.25 mm. in length and 0.25 mm. broad. Color white, with pinkish tinge, best seen on ventral surface. Head large with the cervical shield pale brown, the latter divided by a broad median white line, the inverted V-shaped, mark on head also white; body with sparsely placed setae longer and more conspicuous on the anal segments. In a short time the pink tinge disappears, the head becomes black, and the inverted V-shaped line extends across the now black thoracic shield, and along the entire length of the body it is produced in a very delicate, pale median dorsal line. (Described by Wildermuth and Webster)." From Bul. 85, Webster, 1909.

*Later stages*: "The full grown larva. (Plate XXIV, figs. 26, 28, 31). The full grown larva is of a greenish straw color. The inverted white

line is still quite visible on the head. Head light brown. The cervical shield has lost its color, but the faint dorsal white line is still noticeable throughout the whole length of the body. The setae are still prominent, there being four long ones on each segment, those on the last two segments being very long. (Description by Wildermuth and Webster)." From Webster, Bul. 85, 1909.

*Cocoon*: (Plate XXX, fig. 3). Constructed of very fine white threads intermixed with coarser threads, more nearly globular than cocoon of *P. posticus*. Meshes rather irregular and open, not finely, closely, evenly arranged.

*Pupa*: (Plate XXX, fig. 2). "Pupa distinctly resembling the adult. Abdomen almost colorless, with a slight tinge of yellow. Head, thorax and appendages increasing in density of black from time of pupation until emergence. A very distinct white line passes through center of dorsal surface of thorax and head, and continues on through the beak where it reaches its greatest width. (Description by Wildermuth)." From Webster, Bul. 85, 1909.



MAP 9. Distribution of *Phytonomus nigrirostris* Fab.



Prof. F. M. Webster, of the Bureau of Entomology, very kindly loaned me specimens of the larvæ and pupæ, but the alcoholic specimens are somewhat shrunken and I do not care to attempt a full description of them, hence I have quoted from his bulletin. The tubercles on the larvæ are very distinct and in two rows on most of the segment as in other species, but there are certainly more than four on some of the segments. In the pupa the hairs on the prothorax are rather long, the first four pairs near the margin and equidistant from each other, on the posterior portion are at least three pairs of hairs and two pairs on the dorsum, this would leave one pair missing, the pupæ examined were however alcoholic specimens and may have been rubbed. It is probable that with a sufficient number to study the anal segments would show characters that might be used in separating the species.

*Distribution:* Type locality "Anglia. D. Banks," Fabricius, 1775. In 1781 Fabricius again described this species, under the name *variabilis* from specimens from "Hamburg. Dom. Schulz." In 1783 Herbst had specimens from Berlin.

Petri and Capiomont record it as occurring over all Europe, British Isles, Egypt, Asia Minor, Caucasus and Transkaukasus, and Algeria. It is mentioned in Hochhuth's "Russland" list but has apparently not been recorded from Siberia. The first published record from America is in Leconte's *Rhyncophora* in 1876, where he states that it occurs in "Massachusetts and Canada." I have a specimen from Mr. Frederick Blanchard, taken on Mt. Washington, in New Hampshire, in 1874, so that it had doubtless been here for many years previous to that time. Hubbard and Schwarz collected it in eastern Massachusetts in 1873-4. Provancher in 1877 under the name *Eirrhinus viridis* described it from Quebec. Since that decade it has been gradually spreading westward and southward. Being a small, rather inconspicuous species it is easily overlooked.

I have seen many specimens from various places and have records of many others which are here included.

*Dominion of Canada:* *New Brunswick* (Fletcher, 1884) at Dalhousie.

*Prince Edwards Island:* Charlottetown (U. S. N. M.).

*Ontario:* Ottawa (Harrington, 1884); also specimens in coll. Cornell Univ.; Toronto, Nov. (Wickham coll.); 25-5-96, 97, 24-5-97 (Cornell Univ.)

*Quebec*: Provancher record 1877. Fletcher in 1884 reported a cocoon at "Brome in Eastern Township."

"Can." 1 specimen in U. S. N. M. marked "1874, det. Lec."

*United States: Maine*: Lewiston, S. Stebbins (Bos. Soc. Nat. Hist.); Monmouth 12-Aug. '03, Wales vi-15 (Frost coll.) "Maine" (Fall coll.)

*New Hampshire*: Mt. Washington, 1874, (Blanchard coll.); Manchester, 13 July (Wickham coll.); E. Wakefield vi-17 (Hub. & Schwarz, U. S. N. M.); "N. H." (Fall coll.)

*Vermont*: Bennington Co. (Cornell Univ.)

*Massachusetts*: "Mass." (Fall coll.); E. Mass. (Hub. & Schwarz); "Mass. 1876" (Leconte coll. M. C. Z.); Amherst 1899 (Fernald rec.); Cambridge, 1873, Henshaw (B. S. Nat. Hist.); Lowell (Wells coll. Field Col. Mus.); Mansfield 5-3, Lynn 19-3 (Hub. & Schwarz, U. S. N. M.); Melrose Hds. Clemons, 23-iv (U. S. N. M.); Concord, Tolman (Wenzel coll.); Wellesley 11 July, Sharon 20 July (Wickham coll.); Lenox (A. M. N. H.); Grafton (Sherriff coll.); Lynn 19-31 (Leconte coll. M. C. Z.); Forest Hills, 14 January 1911 (Titus); Framingham v-15-07, 5-5-09, iv-17-10, vii-20-07, 30-May-05, vii-4-07, May-08, v-8-09, Natick iv-10-09 (Frost coll.); Nantucket Id (Bolter coll.)

*Rhode Island*: Providence July (Frost coll.)

*Connecticut*: S. Woodstock, 1888 (Chittenden record). Colebrook (Titus) Je., 1911. Britton (*in litt.* 1911): New Haven, 13 April 1898, 1 June, 1898, 26 June, 1899, W. E. B., 28 June, 1904, E. J. S. Moore, 6 July, 1904, H. L. V., 8 June 1904, W. E. B., 14 June 1909, B. H. W., 21 April, 1911, A. B. C.; West Haven, 27 June, 1905, H. L. V.; Chapinville 26 May, 1904, W. E. B.; Hamlen, 12 May, 1910.

*New York*: Felt (*in litt.* 1911) states distributed over entire state, and gives following as localities represented in their collections: Albany, Cortland, Denmark, Deer Park, E. Greenbush, Karner, Ithaca, Moshulu, Nassau, Newport, Oswego, Ossining, Poughkeepsie, Peekskill (Cornell Univ.); Peekskill June 98 (Van Dyke); Stony Id. 8-July-96; West Pt. 10-April, 28-April-08, 22-April-08, Babylon 4-June-93 (A. M. N. H.); Potsdam (in many coll. prob. recd. from Houghton); Coney Id. 1891 (Chittenden record); Chittenden (in Webster loc. cit.) says that it did not occur at Ithaca in 1884.

*New Jersey:* Smith in 1910 list says distributed well over the state. Westville 1-28, 2-25 (Wenzel); Ft. Lee (A. M. N. H.) New Brunswick vi-28, vii-6, Red Bank 5-1, 4-20, Sea Isle City 5-24, 7-4, 7-12, Madison 17-April-98, Atco 6-1, Riverton 5-1, Jamesburg 7-4 (J. B. Smith).

*Pennsylvania:* Mt. Airy (J. B. Smith coll.); Phila. 11-28-05 (Am. Ent. Soc.); 21-Nov.-08, Hyslop at Marion (Webster 1. c.)

*Maryland:* Somerset Hts., 1905 (Titus); Plummers Island; Weverton, 20 May '08, C. N. Ainslie (Webster 1. c.); Arundel (Schwarz).

*District Columbia:* Chevy Chase Circle 6-June-08, Caudell & Ainslie (Webster 1. c.); Washington, common (Webster).

*Virginia:* Fortress Monroe (Schwarz).

*Michigan:* Detroit (Schwarz) about 1875.

*Indiana:* Vigo Co. (Blatchley *in litt.*)

*Minnesota:* reported by Schwarz (Webster 1. c.)

*Food Plants and Life History:* Gyllenhal (1813) recorded it from "*Ononis arvensis*". Germar (1821) mentions that the species lives on *Dianthus* and "in *Europæ graminosis*." Samouelle (1819) says it occurs in April and May in moist places on banks of ponds. Brischke in 1871 reports it as feeding in north Germany on lucerne and as occurring on "*Carex filiformis*". 1858 Matheiu had said it injured clover and occurred on *T. agraricum*, Bargagli (1884) gave a short account of its feeding habits on *Trifolium pratense* and notes its occurrence on various *Ononis* especially *spinosa*, and in the heads of *Bupththalmum salicifolium*. Kaltenbach (1874) reports Hoffman's observations on its habit of feeding in the flowers of *Bupththalmum salicifolium*, the cocoon being spun in the chaff scales, and states also that it feeds in the flower heads of *Trifolium pratense*. Ferrant (1909) gives it as one of the three injurious *Phytonomus* to lucern in Luxemburg. Kleine in 1910 gives no other food-plants.

The best accounts of the life history have been written by Houghton (1908) and Webster (1909), but there are many points still unknown. In America Fletcher first reported the species from clover as injurious at Dalhousie N. B., in 1884, Harrington the same year reported it as occurring at Ottawa in numbers but not injurious. The eggs are laid in early spring (March, April and May) the period probably extending over about six weeks. They are generally deposited inside the leaf sheath

next to the inner epidermis (Webster), only a few in a place. In captivity they may lay eggs in the leaves, petioles, stems, and even on the leaves. The eggs hatch in seven to eight days, the larvæ feeding in the flower buds and heads. The larval period varies from seventeen to twenty days, "the larva molts twice, the first instar occupying three to seven days, the second six to seven days and the third about seven days" (Webster l. c.) The pupal stage is about six days, the pupa being formed in a pure white rather closely netted cocoon that may be spun on the leaves or near the ground or in flower heads. Food plants reported in America are *Trifolium pratense*, *T. medium*, *Medicago sativa*, *Trifolium incarnatum*, *T. repens* and *T. hybridum*. It will also feed on *Medicago lupulina*. Webster (1909) gives a very complete account of the earlier notices of the species in America. Both Webster and Schwarz believe that the occurrence of the species into the Virginia region is due to a new introduction. Webster discusses the possibility of the species having reached the southern coast through the influence of the return ocean currents, floating in on debris. This appears to me improbable; many persons have tried the effect of salt water on insects and found that it is rare for them to survive longer than a few hours, generally scarcely a few minutes, the first wave killing them or so stupefying them that they are soon lost. It is much more probable that this weevil either entered this region by flight, passing a little further southward year by year or was carried there by means of railroad trains.

Houghton reports a spring flight of the species in April in Delaware.

*Enemies:* Webster has reported the only insects known to feed on the species. From a specimen collected by Mr. Caudell June 12 near Chevy Chase, on June 23, a small fly issued (from a puparium formed in the cocoon of *P. nigrirostris*), which was determined by C. H. T. Townsend as *Anisia* species near *variabilis* Coq.

A larva taken from a clover head 26 June, 1908, "developed into an adult hymenopterous parasite that emerged July 8, 1908". Determined by J. C. Crawford as *Bracon* sp.

The fungus disease (*Entomophthora sphaerosperma* Fres.) attacks this species. For an account of its manner of attack see under *Hyp. punctata*, p. 411.

**Phytonomus<sup>\*</sup> posticus** Gyllenhal.*Curculio haemorrhoidalis*:

- 1784: Herbst: Fues. Archiv. 5: 78, no. 52 (nec. Fabricius 1775).  
 1794: Herbst: Fues. Archiv. (French ed.) p. 125, no. 37.  
 1795: Herbst: Nat. Ins. Kafer, 6: 266, no. 235, T. 80, fig. 4.  
 1818: Germar: Germ. & Zincker Mag. 3: 369.

*Rhynchaenus haemorrhoidalis*:

- 1820: Billberg: Enumeratio Insectorum, p. 42.

*Curculio variabilis*:

- 1795: Herbst: Nat. Ins. Kafer, 6: 263, no. 232, T. 80, f. 1 (nec. Fabr. 1781).  
 1807: Illiger: Magaz. f. Insektenkunde, 6: 328.

*Rhynchaenus variabilis*:

- 1813: Gyllenhal: Insecta Suec. 1 (pt. 3): 104, no. 35.  
 1820: Billberg: Enum. Insectorum, p. 42.  
 1827: Gyllenhal: Ins. Suec. 1 (pt. 4, app. 3): 572, no. 35.

*Hypera variabilis*:

- 1821: Dejean: Cat. Coll. Coleop., p. 89.  
 1826: Sturm: Cat. Ins. Sammlung, 1: 157.  
 1826: Curtis: Brit. Entomology, 2: no. 116, 10.  
 1829: Curtis: Guide Arr. Brit. Ins. p. 50, no. 18.  
 1829: Stephens: Sys. Cat. Brit. Ins. p. 169, no. 1731.  
 1831: Stephens: Entom., 4: 101, no. 25.  
 1833: Villa: Cat. Coleop. Europ. duplex. in coll.  
 1844: Villa: Cat. dei Coleop. della Lombardia.  
 1848: Walton: Ann. Mag. Nat. Hist. (2) 1: 298.  
 1849: Walton: Stettin. Entom. Zeit., 10: 261.  
 1853: Murray: Cat. Coleop. Scotland.  
 1854: Wollaston: Ins. Maderensis, pp. xl., 400.  
 1861: Waterhouse: Cat. Brit. Coleop., p. 71, no. 11.  
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 1864: Wollaston: Cat. Coleop. Canaries, p. 328.  
 1869: Giebel: Verz. z. mus. Univ. Halle-Wittenberg, p. 44, no. 42.  
 1869: Kraatz: Verz. Kafer Deutsch., p. 52.  
 1871: Gemminger & Harold: Cat. Coleop., 8: 2388.  
 1871: Kirsch: Bul. Ent. Zeit., 15: 187.  
 1873: Bargagli: Bul. Ent. Soc. Ital., 5: 96.  
 1874: Redtenbacher: Fauna Austriaca. Kafer. 2: 254.  
 1876: Perris: Larves Coleop., p. 385.  
 1877: Stein & Weise: Cat. Coleop. Eur., ed. 2, p. 143.  
 1878: Mocsary: Adatok Z. es Lip. Meg. Faunajahoz, p. 240.  
 1880: Koppen: Die Schadl. Ins. Russland, p. 209, no. 6.  
 1880: Rupertsberger: Biol. die Kafer Europ., p. 200.  
 1882: Baudi, Piccioli & Cavanna: Bul. Ent. Soc. Ital., 14: 75.  
 1882: Piccioli & Cavanna: Bul. Ent. Soc. Ital., 14: 379.  
 1883: Weise in H. R. & W. Cat. Col. Eur., ed. 4, p. 159.  
 1884: Bargagli: Bul. Ent. Soc. Ital., 16: 167-8, 173.  
 1884: Bargagli: Rass. Biol. Rinc. Europei, p. 100.  
 1887: Wollaston: Cat. Coleop. Mader. in Brit. Mus., pp. 118, 119, 218.  
 1888: Bedel: Coleop. Bassin de la Seine, pp. 79, 215, no. 15.  
 1890: Carpentier: Bul. Ent. Soc. Ital., 22: 275.  
 1891: Fowler: British Coleoptera, 5: 230, 235.  
 1891: Weise in H. R. & W.: Cat. Coleop., p. 304.  
 1893: Bertolini: Bul. Ent. Soc. Ital., 25: 243, no. 16.  
 1894: Hauser: Deutsch. Ent. Zeit., 38: 25.  
 1894: Rupertsberger: Biol. d. Kafer, 2: 210, 294.  
 1896: Heyden: Cat. Coleop. Sibiria, p. 152.  
 1897: Fauvel: Revue Entom., 16: 463, no. 544.  
 1903: Everts: Coleop. Neerlandica, p. 605.  
 1907: Wachsmann: Rovar. Lapok, 14: 19.

*Phytonomus variabilis:*

- 1826: Schönherr: Curc. disposit. meth., pt. 4, p. 175.  
 1834: Gyllenhal in Schönherr: Gen. et sp. Curc., 2 (pt 2): 384.  
 1839: Audouin: Ann. des Sc. nat. (2) 11: 107-8.  
 1839: Falderman: Neue Mem. Soc. Moscou, 6: 189.  
 1842: Boheman in Schönherr: Gen. et sp. Curc., 6 (pt 2): 380, no. 69.  
 1844: Germar: Stett. Entom. Zeit., 3: 101.  
 1847: Hochhuth: Enum. Russic. Kauk. et Transk., p. 493, no. 105.  
 1849: Gaubil: Cat. Syn. Coleop. Eur. et Alg., p. 156.  
 1849: Redtenbacher: Fauna Austriaca, Die Käfer, p. 435.  
 1849: (Dohrn): Cat. Coleop. Europ., p. 61.  
 1851: Hochhuth: Bul. Imp. Soc. Mosc., p. 42.  
 1853: Zebe: Syn. der Bisher Deutsch. aufgef. Coleop., p. 75.  
 1855: Jac. du Val: Gen. Coleop. Europ., p. 110 (in part).  
 1857: Lentz: Neus Verz. Preuss. Käfer, p. 121.  
 1857: Costa: Pergrinzioni sul Monte Alburno, p.  
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 1858: Matheiu: Ann. Ent. Soc. Belg., 2: 198, 200.  
 1858: Redtenbacher: Fauna Austriaca, Die Käfer, ed. 2, p. 729.  
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 1863: Disconzi: Entom. Vicentia, pp. 79, 81, 126, no. 37.  
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 1871: Brischke: Schr. nat. Ges. Danzig, n. f. 2: 23.  
 1871: Kirsch: Berl. Ent. Zeit., p. 1.  
 1873: Giard: Traite Elem. d' Entom., 1: 671.  
 1873: Rondani: Bul. Ent. Soc. Ital., 6: 156.  
 1876: Lafontjn: Tijd. v. Entom., 20: xxi.  
 1877: Heyden: Jahrb. Nassau. Verein, 29: 312.  
 1878: Schneider & Leder: Beit. kennt. Kauk. Käferfauna, p. 287.  
 1882: Fabre: Nouv. Souv. Entom. vi, pp. 83-88. (Odynerus spinipennis).  
 1886: Faust: Horae Soc. Ent. Rossicae, p. 86, no. 146.  
 1888: Bedel: Ann. Soc. Ent. Fr. (2) Coleop. Bas. Seine, p. 260.  
 1890: ———: Bul. Ent. Soc. Ital., 22: 275.  
 1891: Faust: Oefers Finsk. Vetensk. Soc., p. 91.  
 1891: Seidlitz: Fauna Transsylv., p. 676.  
 1901: Petri: Monog. Coleop.-Tribus Hyperini, p. 181, 208.  
 1901: Petri: Bestim. Tab. Coleop. Hft. 44, Hyperini, p. 31, 40.  
 1906: Weise in H. R. & W. Cat. Coleop. Eur., p. 656.  
 1908: v. Wanka: Entom. Blätter, 4: 230.  
 1910: Kleine: Entom. Blätter, 6: 198.  
 1911: Martelli: Boll. Lab. Zool. gen. e agar. R. Scu. sup. Agric. Portic., 5: 226-30.

*Curculio bimaculatus:*

- 1802: Marsham: Entom. Brit., 1, 266, no. 86 (nec. Fabricius 1775).

*Rhynchaneus pollux:*

- 1813: Gyllenhal: Ins. Suecica, 1 (pt. 3): (nec. Fabr., et al.).

*\*Rhynchaneus posticus:*

- 1813: Gyllenhal: Ins. Suec., 1 (pt. 3): 113, no. 41.  
 1827: Gyllenhal: Ins. Suec., 1 (pt 4, app. 3): 572, no. 41.  
 1828: Zetterstedt: Faun. Ins. Lapp., 1: 320, no. 37.  
 1834: Sahlberg: Insecta Fennica, pt. 2, p. 44, no. 34.  
 1840: Zetterstedt: Ins. Lapponica, p. 170, no. 43.

*Hypera postica:*

- 1821: Germar: Germ. & Zincker Mag. 4: 340, no. 10.  
 1826: Curtis: Brit. Entom., 2: no. 116, 13.  
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*Hypera phaeopa*:

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*Hypera variabilis* var. *sicula*:

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*Hypera variabilis* var. *sericea*:

- 1871: Gemminger and Harold: Cat. Coleop., 8: 2386.  
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*Phytonomus variabilis* aber. *sericeus*:

- 1906: Weise in H. R. & W.: Cat. Coleop. Eur., ed. 2, p. 656.

*Phytonomus ponticus*:

- 1868: Capiomont: Revis. d. Hyperides, p. 208, no. 46.

*Hypera pontica*:

- 1871: Gemminger & Harold: Cat. Coleop., 8: 2386.

*Phytonomus variabilis* var. *ponticus*:

- 1901: Petri: Monogr. Coleop. Trib. Hyperini, pp. 183, 203.  
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*Phytonomus variabilis* var. *austriaca*:

- 1901: Petri: Monogr. Coleop. Trib. Hyperini, pp. 182, 203.  
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*Phytonomus variabilis* aber. *austriacus*:

- 1906: Weise in H. R. & W.: Cat. Coleop. Eur. p. 656.

*Phytonomus variabilis* var. *decoratus*:

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*Original description:* Gyllenhal, 1813, p. 113.

"41. *R. posticus*: niger, parum cinereo-pubescent, antenis, tibiis, elytrorumque apice ferrugineis, rostro breviusculo, thorace brevi depresso, pectore albido-squamoso.

"*Curculio haemorrhoidalis* Herbst, Col. 6. 266. 235, Tab. 80, f. 4.

"*Curculio bimaculatus* Marsham. Ent. Brit. 1. 266. 86.

"*Habitat in pratorum collibus passim.*

"*Descr.* Praecedenti (trifolii which is praec. to plantaginis) simillimus, and pro ejus varietate detrita facile habendus, sed paullo major praesertim longior; rostrum brevius, elytrorum apex ferrugineis, et squamulae pectoris non-metallico nitentes. Caput and oculi ut in praecedenti (parcum rotundatum nigrum punctulatum, cinereo-pubescent oculis ovalis depressis brunneis); rostrum thoracefere brevius, crassiusculum, arcuatum nigrum punctulatum glabrum. Antennae ut in priori (capite cum rostro longiores, crassiuscules ferrugineae, clava cinereo pubescente). Thoracis structura etiam ut in illo (latitudine multo brevior, basi apiceque truncatus, lateribus valderundato-dilatatus), supra depresso, niger, margine antico supra rufo-piceo, confertissime et paullo profundius punctatus, pilis squamulisque cinereis, versus latera densioribus, adspersus. Elytra thoracis basi dimidii latiora, and illo fere quintuplo longiora, apice compressa, subattenuata, supra convexa, nigro-picea apicem versus plus minus rufo-ferruginea, sat profunde (p. 114) punctato-striata, pilis squamulisque cinereis parcius adspersus. Corpus sublus nigrum, creberrime punctulatum, lenue cinereo-pubescent, ano piceo: pectus pubesquamulisque cinereo-albidis, non metallico-nitentibus, tectum. Pedes ut in praecedenti (mediocres cinereo-pubescentes) femoribus nigro-piceis, tibiis tarsisque ferrugineis."

The parts in parentheses I have quoted from the previous species to which he refers in the description.

*Adult:* (Plate XXXI, figs. 5-8). Length 3-5.1 mm. Width 1-2.4 mm. These measurements are the extreme from over 1000 specimens.

Reddish-black, brown, brownish-black, or black; legs and antennae always paler; scales cleft about two-thirds of the length, color of pubescence varying from ash-gray to dark brown.

*Head* with numerous fine punctures, densely covered with pale or gray-brown hairs; *front* never as wide as beak, scarcely as wide as an eye; *eyes* transverse oval, narrower below, slightly prominent; *beak* about two-thirds length of prothorax, narrowed close to eyes, hairy especially beneath and at tip; with a small smooth dorsal keel about one-half the length, followed by a broad smooth triangular dorsal portion that is pointed or nearly so at the tip; a deep narrow longitudinal groove on the base of the wide portion; long narrow punctured striae on each side beneath the dorsal edge reaching at least three-quarters of the distance to the tip; *antennal groove* deep, narrow, punctured, black; *antennae* reddish yellow to dark-brown, scape reaching to eyes, shorter than funicle; second joint two-thirds to three-fifths the length of the first; seventh joint as broad as long; club oval, pointed, densely pubescent; mandibles punctured, hairy. Male antennae inserted near the middle of the groove, female nearer the apex of the beak.

*Prothorax* usually a little broader than long in female, but in male sometimes scarcely as broad as long, never strongly widened as in *meles*; widest half way between the middle and the anterior edge; sides rounded and swollen, anteriorly strongly rounded, posterior margin wider than anterior; densely roughly finely punctured; dorsum depressed more behind than in front. In perfect specimens the scales form a narrow brown or gray median stripe bordered by wide dark bands, these are bordered by light brown metallic bands which reach down onto the sides, below these again a dark band which extends back onto the humeri, remainder of side and venter pale metallic brown. Pale hairs usually intermixed with scales that form the bands. The entire system of bands or stripes may be obsolete, indistinct or entirely wanting or any one or more of them may be missing, even in specimens recently issued from the pupa.

*Scutellum* minute triangular, clothed with scales of same color as median thoracic stripe.

*Elytra* about three times as long as prothorax, almost egg shape, flattened at the base, humeri strongly rounded, convexly prominent, sides sometimes rounded but usually nearly parallel for four-fifths of the length, and then rounded to the tips which are not sharp; finely striately punctured, interstitial spaces very slightly elevated, sometimes the odd-numbered alternate spaces show more strong elevation; scales usually yellowish brown, gray or dark brown but may vary in both direction, hairs black or white or both; even in carefully bred specimens the pattern is extremely variable, passing from those entirely of one color (gray to dark rich brown) to those which are tessellated on almost all the interspaces. In some the sutural interspaces are alternately maculated with pale and dark brown and the alternate interspaces more or less marked in the same manner; usually the scales on the last interspace are paler. A broad common darker sutural basal spot is rather general, this may extend for any distance back on the elytra along the suture, the farther back it reaches the broader it is at the base. Some specimens have the hairs alternating black and white on the interspaces, others black on all and more rarely white on all; they are however very uniformly curved backward lying about one-half down and are long or short, but slender and pointed.

*Venter* with thoracic portion usually clothed with paler scales, more rarely with intermixed hairs; abdominal portion more hairy, especially in female on last two segments; mesosternal middle coxal process narrow almost linear, parallel sides; intercoxal process of third abdominal segment\* broad and sloping to a point.

*Legs*: femora usually darker brown than tibiae or tarsi, clothed more or less densely in front with scales, behind usually sparsely clothed with hairs, tibiae and tarsi variable in color with rather long pale hairs; front tibiae slightly curved inward in male, spines on the inside of the middle tibia vary in length, crown of spines very short and blunt.

*Stem of male genitalia* (Plate XXIV, fig. 10), from above narrow, parallel, sides uniformly thickened, gradually curved on the last third to a narrowly rounded point; viewed from the side last two-thirds

scarcely curved, point sometimes very slightly turned up. The side view (Plate XXIV, fig. 11) is never as in *meles* strongly curved and from the dorsum there can never be seen the peculiar knob-like point possessed by *murinus* (Plate XXIV, fig. 12).

The coloring and pattern of the scales in this species is so variable that it is difficult to describe; and rarely a few specimens have been observed that were as green beneath as *nigrirostris* and as *gray green* above as *complus* sometimes appears.

*Egg*: (Plate XXXV, fig. 8). Oval, rounded at ends, lemon-yellow in color when first laid, very slightly roughened, hexagonally sculptured, at one end the depressions are drawn out until they appear as fine striæ. Two to four days after being deposited a dark spot appears at one end as this enlarges the egg becomes paler in other portions, when ready to hatch it is usually shining black where the larval head is beneath the shell and pale yellow or whitish elsewhere. Length 0.55-0.65 mm. Width 0.32-0.38 mm.

*Larvæ*: (Plate XXXI, figs. 1-2, Plate XXXII, figs. 1,2,9). First stage: 1.4-1.5 mm. long and 0.36 mm. wide. Head shield dark with only a faint trace of the inverted Y, remainder of body pale dirty yellow with black tubercles of segments distinct. Hairs on anal segments longest, all enlarged at tips. Very faint indication of a dorsal stripe.

*Second stage*: head darker, inverted Y a dirty white, white median dorsal line distinct, remainder of larva green, lighter than plant on which it is feeding. 3.2-4.8 mm. long by 0.7-1.1 mm. wide.

*Third stage*: entire larva dark ergreen, sometimes the dorsal white line has a rosy red border as in *Hyp. punctata*. A distinct pale stripe is now present on the side of the body below the spiracles; inverted Y on face clear and white. Length 3 to 5.7 mm., width 1.2 to 1.7 mm.

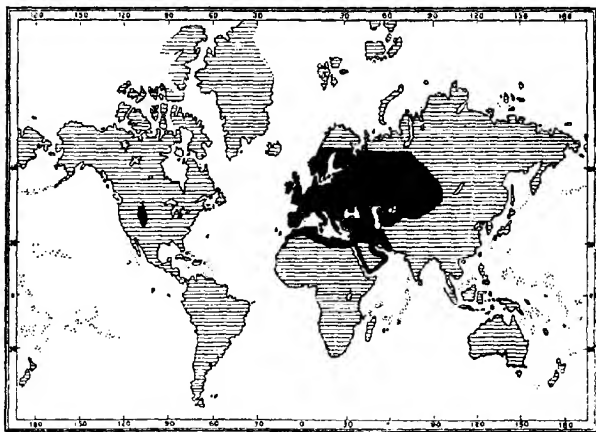
*Fourth stage*: very little different from the third, larvæ reaches a length of from 7 to 10 mm. and may become as wide as 2.25 mm. The rosy-red of the outer border of the pale median line is much more evident in this stage.

The arrangement of the tubercles is very characteristic. On the first thoracic segment there are three rows (the tubercles are always arranged in pairs on each side of the dorsal line) the first row with 12, the second with 2 and the third with 10. Second segment and all following with at least two rows the anterior of which has but a single pair of tubercles. The posterior on the second segment, 12 tubercles; third segment, 16; fourth and fifth the same; the sixth with 18; seventh with 20; eighth with 16; ninth with 14; tenth with 12, in the posterior, and eight in a middle row; eleventh with 8 in posterior row and 10 in the middle; twelfth with 10 in the posterior row, strongly curved forward in a line. On the sides of the first enlargement below the spiracles are always two hairs situated on tubercles.

*Cocoon*: (Plate XXXI, figs. 3, 9). varying in size from 4 to 8.5 mm. and occasionally one with one of the axes still longer. Usually oval or globular, depending somewhat on where it is formed. It is composed of pure white threads spun in a rather coarse network, meshes not very regular.

*Pupa:* (Plate XXXI, fig. 4). Length 4 to 5.5 mm. Width 3 to 4.5 mm.

The newly formed pupa is green and after a few hours pale green, the eyes somewhat darkened at an early stage; the posterior ends of the femora and the anterior ends of the tibiae are early darkened. Pale dorsal line extending the entire length and onto head but not always the length of the beak. Dorsal rows of transverse setae enlarged at the tips as in larvæ, hairs on the anal segment rather long and darker than elsewhere on pupa. Prothoracic hairs long, slender, the frontal row not close to the margin, first three pairs in front, fourth on side and fifth far back; central two pairs forming a small square in front of the center, three other pairs in a slight curve near the posterior edge.



MAP 10. Distribution over world of *Phytomyza posticus* Gyll.

*Distribution:* First described by Herbst as *C. haemorrhoidalis* in 1784 from Germany, later by the same author (1795) as *variabilis*, in 1802 by Marsham from England as *C. bimaculatus*. These names were all preoccupied and in 1813 Gyllenhal described it as *R. posticus* from Europe as above noted.

Capiomont and Petri, with other European writers give its distribution as the whole of Europe, southern Siberia, Turkestan, Asia Minor, Persia, Arabia, north coast of Africa, Maderia and Canary Islands and British Isles.

In America it was first reported from Utah, in 1902, and has since been spreading rapidly. Colonies are now known to occur in the adjoining states of Wyoming and Idaho. The accompanying map (map 11) will show the distribution as at present known.

Owing to the extreme variation in size and color there are recorded many synonyms, and doubtless careful working over of the European species will bring to light others. The species has been generally known over Europe as *variabilis*, a name which unfortunately was preoccupied by Fabricius for another insect, also a *Phytonomus*, in 1781. In the paper in which Herbst described his species he noted that the *variabilis* of Fabricius was merely a variety of *nigrirostris*. This however does not make Herbst's name tenable, the first available name being Gyllenhal's *posticus*.

The species has been reported by most European authors listing *Phytonomus*.

*Life History and Food Plants:* Little has been written on the life history of this species in Europe, though in late years it has several times been quite injurious. Audouin in describing the collecting habits of *Odynerus spinipes* stated that the larvæ of *variabilis* and *murinus* were living on lucerne (1839). Bargagli in 1884 reported it as seriously injurious in Italy and an editorial in the *Bul. Ent. Soc. Ital.* 1890, noted that it was a serious pest to clover and alfalfa and briefly describes the egg, larva and cocoon. Koppen (1880) reported serious injury to lucern in Russia. More recently Mr. W. F. Fiske of the Bur. Entomology U. S. Dept. Agriculture told me that the alfalfa regions of south-eastern Russia were being seriously damaged by some kind of a weevil, probably a *Phytonomus*. The present year Dr. Giovanni Martelli has issued a short contribution to the biology of this species. He states that in April 1909, he observed the medicinal plants in a part of the Gussone park at Portici, Italy, being eaten by larvæ. These he bred and they proved to be "*P. variabilis*". He also observed the species causing injury at Acireale in 1910. He reports it causing serious damage in 1909 at Campobasso and at Acicastello in 1910. The present year it is numerous in many parts of Italy.

• Kleine (1910) has reported the following food plants in Europe: *Medicago sativa*, *M. falcata*, *M. media*, and *M. lupulina*; *Astragalus bayonensis*, *Phaseolus vulgaris*, *Solanum tuberosum*, *Brassica* sp. *Rubus vilis ideae* and *Plantago lanceolata*, Bargagli reported finding beetles on *Atriplex patula* at Venice. The *Astragalus* record is probably from Perris.



Journ. Economic Entomology, Dec. 1910, which gives technical information not in the bulletin mentioned. The earliest record obtainable of its presence in Utah is its occurrence in the spring of 1904 when it was present on a farm on the east side of Salt Lake City. During the years 1905 and 1906 it spread for several miles. I first saw the beetle and larvæ at work early in July 1907 when I went to Utah as Entomologist; it had not then been reported from America. During the next two years it spread rapidly, reaching a number of outlying districts and probably passed over the first range of the Wasatch Mountains into the Weber valley. During 1909 the greatest extension was to the south and southwest. The weevil reached that year a watershed boundary along these lines. On the south at Olivers there is a gap in this boundary through which the Jordan river flows. In Summit county it passed both up and down the stream a number of miles this year. The boundary lines between Davis and Morgan and between Salt Lake and Summit counties are on the summit of the first range of mountains as may be seen by examining the course of the streams. It will be noticed that this range did not hinder the spread of the insect. The same year it passed to the north by the narrow gap of uncultivated land near the lake border north of Salt Lake City and reached a very fertile and prosperous alfalfa region, that of Davis county. During 1910 the distribution was extensive, especially to the southward into Utah County for a number of miles over a country well supplied with food for the insect. At Provo on the south the mountains again come very close to the lake shore but the insect during the summer of 1910 passed this barrier and reached the south side of the lake, being found as far as Payson (Titus, 1910, Ainslie & Titus, 1911). There is no other barrier to hinder its passage for miles. It has passed the barrier of the short canon between Provo and Thistle and will be able to go easily into the valley southward, the Sanpete and Sevier region growing many acres of alfalfa. In August, 1911, Dr. E. D. Ball took a weevil at Soldier Summit, the highest point in Utah on the Rio Grande railroad. In August, 1911, Mr. V. A. Sadler of the Utah Exp. Sta., took weevils above the Dawson Ranch on Bear Creek, east of Heber. To the north all of Davis and Weber counties have been covered and a few have been found at Collinston, Corinne and Honeyville, Box Elder county. There are many acres of alfalfa



throughout the district between Pocatello, Idaho, and Ogden, Utah, including the large and fertile Cache Valley; and to the northwest the lower Bear River and Malad valleys. It has reached the south-west portion of Wyoming at Evanston and Cokeville (H. Smith, 1911), and has been found by Mr. Parks also of the Bureau of Entomology, and by Mr. E. P. Hoff around Bear Lake as far north as Fishhaven, Idaho. There is little food along the Union Pacific railroad for many miles to the east. Westward it has practically reached its limit in the State of Utah, but trains will soon carry it on to the fields of Nevada.

The original Summit and Wasatch county infestations are probably due as much to the moving of camp equipments of the sheep-herders as to any other means. Altitude seems not to affect the weevil and they can probably breed wherever alfalfa can grow, since I have taken larvæ and adults as high as 9,000-9,500 feet in the Wasatch Range. It was probably from this region that they reached Evanston and Lyman, Wyoming.

As with other species of which the life history is known, the beetles are good fliers and distribute themselves readily in this manner. How long these flights may continue is not known, but from the inspection of various districts into which they are moving it is at least possible for them to fly ten to fifteen miles. With this species there are two periods of flight, one in early spring soon after they issue from hibernation, and the other shortly after the adults of the year are appearing in their greatest numbers. The relation of these flights to their life-history may be better understood by consulting the life-history chart in Bul. 110, Utah Exp. Sta. The sense of concealment for protection gives the weevil additional opportunity for distribution since they crawl into any sheltered place. They are often found in fruit packages that are being shipped. Moving of household goods, or in fact any form of freight may give them an opportunity to reach another locality. It is not unusual to find them on the passenger trains going through the infested district and thus they may reach east to the fields of Colorado, Kansas, and Nebraska, and west to Arizona, California, Nevada, Washington and Oregon.

There is practically no danger of distribution in alfalfa seed shipped out of the state, since the weevils even if present, would be screened out in cleaning. At present they do not occur in any region growing seed commercially.

The beetles hibernate in sheltered places of all kinds, roadsides, fences, old orchards, posts, beneath trees in the fallen leaves, in machinery, buildings and haystacks. Some of the adults copulate in the fall. When the first alfalfa begins to grow in the spring the beetles are present and feeding; much is permanently injured by their puncturing the slender stems.

Eggs are laid very early in the year and the egg-laying period is enormously extended. The females mate several times. The males may often be seen sitting on the back of the female and after she has deposited some eggs again mating with her.

The first eggs are laid in or on the leaves, leaf-sheaths, buds or petioles, but later the majority are placed in cavities in the stalks hollowed out by the beak of the female. From one to 28 have been found in a single puncture. The period of incubation is about 10 days.

TABLE I.

Date Laid	Number of Eggs	Days of Incubation											Failed to Hatch
		7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		
6 March.....	5	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0	
8 March.....	30	..	5	..	9	2	..	..	..	..	..	14	
21 March.....	112	..	9	6	74	8	1	1	1	..	..	12	
22 March.....	86	1	8	32	34	..	1	..	..	..	..	10	
30 March.....	27	..	..	..	2	19	4	..	..	..	..	2	
9 April.....	38	..	1	..	30	5	..	..	..	..	..	2	
15 April.....	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	2	
16 April.....	60	..	2	11	28	..	9	..	..	..	..	10	
18 April.....	140	4	7	14	76	27	8	1	..	..	..	3	
19 April.....	19	..	5	5	4	3	..	..	..	..	..	2	
23 April.....	246	..	..	8	86	92	8	4	8	4	4	32	
25 April.....	138	..	..	15	82	22	10	..	..	..	..	9	
10 May.....	56	..	..	..	20	20	..	..	..	..	..	16	
*20 May.....	27	..	..	14	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	
25 May.....	33	..	7	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	
31 May.....	46	..	9	9	22	2	..	..	..	..	..	4	
10 June.....	50	..	..	28	20	..	..	2	..	..	..	0	
15 June.....	16	..	..	9	4	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	
24 June.....	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1	..	..	8	
	1139	8	55	156	500	200	41	13	15	4	4	143	

Average hatching period = 10.22+ days.

The young larvæ often feed in the stems for a considerable time, (Plate XXXII, fig. 9), some even passing the second molt there. Later they crawl out and up the stem, concealing themselves in the growing leaf-buds where they feed extensively and effectually stop the growth of the plant. When nearly full grown many feed entirely unprotected on the leaves. At this time the plants in a severely infested region become practically defoliated. The larvæ have the characteristic curled position when feeding and like others of this genus drop to the ground when disturbed.

The first stage is passed in five to eight days; the second in twelve to twenty, third in twelve to twenty-five, and the fourth in one to twelve days.

When full grown they go to or near to the ground and spin their cocoon in a curled leaf or among the debris on the ground. Some even go to other plants nearby and spin up. From 24 to 48 hours after making the cocoon they change to the pupal stage and remain in this for six to fourteen days before emerging as adults. The adult beetle usually spends one or more days in the cocoon before cutting its way out. The cocoon is not usually eaten, only a large enough place to allow the adult to escape being made. The length of life of the adult varies from ten to fourteen months, and some may live over until the second year. I had one female from a lot of eggs hatched in May, 1909, that lived until May 11, 1911. She was mated with one of the same lot, with a son and with a grandson (bred in captivity the winter of 1910-11) and each time laid eggs which were fertile. She laid at least 312 eggs.

The greatest period of emergence is three to four weeks after the first beetles appear from the eggs laid that year. After July or August the weevils feed but little, but up to that time they cause considerable damage by gnawing the parenchyma of the alfalfa and clover stalks.

We have bred the weevil from the following food-plants: *Medicago sativa*, *M. lupulina*, *Melilotus alba*, *M. officinalis*, *Trifolium pratense*, *T. repens*, *T. hybridum*, and *T. incarnatum*. I have several times found them hibernating under leaves of *Astragalus ulahensis*. Injuries to wheat and potatoes have been reported but I have not observed them. I have, however, repeatedly seen the adults feeding on ripe strawberries.

*Enemies:* The enemies in America are very scarce and do little to aid in checking the insect. Several undetermined Carabids feed upon the weevil, its pupa and larva; three Heteroptera, *Acanthorocis musculus*, *Reduvius roseipennis* Reut. (Det. Otto Heidemann), and *Miris affinis* have been seen eating the eggs, while several species of ants, including *Pogonomyrmex occidentalis* Cress. (Det. W. M. Wheeler), capture the larvæ when crawling on the ground and more rarely ascend the plants for them. Several spiders that frequent alfalfa fields occasionally capture larvæ. Frogs, toads, horned toads, lizards and swifts all do a small part each toward the control. Blackbirds and the western grosbeak often eat them. Even the English sparrow will get one once in a while and very rarely a few are fed to its young. Chickens and turkeys readily feed on them, but soon become satiated and will eat no more until the next day. A vole killed in an alfalfa field where they were very numerous had one beetle in its stomach.

At the present time the Bureau of Entomology is endeavoring to introduce egg-parasites (Mymarids) from Italy, and other parasitic enemies from Europe.

In Europe, Audouin, Girard, Fabre and others have reported the capture of the larvæ of this and another species (*Phytonomus murinus* Fab.) by a wasp, *Odynerus spinipes*. The wasp stings the larvæ and then stores them in its burrows for the feeding of its young. One of the most fascinating of Fabre's papers is upon the life-history and habits of this wasp. Bertolini reports that Carpentier cites a *Pteromalus* as feeding on this species. A species of *Canidia* is also reported as parasitic.

Dr. L. O. Howard of the Bureau of Entomology at Washington very kindly sent me a translation of a paper by Dr. G. Martelli of the Experiment Station at Portici, Italy. In it is recorded *Canidia curculionis* Thoms. This species hibernates in its cocoon in the cocoon of the weevil, emerges in February, and deposits its eggs in the small larvæ of the *Phytonomus*. The weevil larvæ attain maturity and spin their cocoon, the mature parasite then feeds on the internal organs, kills the larvæ and later issues from the skin and spins its own cocoon. This is at first white, but in a day or so becomes dark red and later develops a testaceous brown color with a white band. Its length is 2 to 2.5 mm., and its width over 1 mm. Martelli had adults issue 24 April from parasites born 24 March. He states

that the larva matures in 11 to 13 days, the pupa in 2 days and the adult issues from 14 to 16 days later. This gives 27 to 31 days from the egg to adult. There are two generations each year, the second hibernating.

He also records a species of *Eulophus* the adults of which appear about the middle to the end of May. The eggs, from one to six in number, are deposited on the outside of the body of the *Phytonomus* larva. This parasite may also be hyperparasitic on *Canidia*.

A third parasite recorded is *Pimpla maculator* F., the life-history of which is unknown.

Three hyperparasites are recorded: a *Habrocytus*, a *Chalcid* and *Dibrachis boucheanus*, all living upon the *Canidia*.

*Disease:* Attempts were made in 1910 by the agents of the Bureau of Entomology to introduce *Entomophthora sphaerosperma* into Utah. It is not yet certain that these were successful and even if introduced it is extremely improbable that the disease will be of any particular value in the arid regions of the West.

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  6. *P. comptus*.
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  8. *P. quadricollis* (Aweme specimen).
  9. *P. meles* (Connecticut specimen).
  10. *P. posticus*.
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16. Maxilla, *P. meles*.
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18. Emarginate hair.
19. Emarginate scale.
20. Deeply emarginate scale.
21. Deeply cleft scale.
22. Cleft scale.
- Larval segments (dorsal outlines).
  23. *P. meles* (redrawn from Laboulbene).
  24. 4th segment, *H. punctatus*.
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  28. 8th segment, *P. nigrirostris*.
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  31. 1st thoracic, *P. nigrirostris*.
  32. 8th segment, *H. punctata*.

## PLATE XXV.

*Hypera punctata* Fab.

1. adult dorsal.
  2. adult ventral.
- (Enlarged 10x).



## PLATE XXVI.

*Hypera punctata* Fab.

1. full-grown larva.
  2. cocoon.
  3. pupa, ventral.
  4. adult, face.
  5. pupa, side.
- (Enlarged 10x).

## PLATE XXVII.

*Phytonomus diversipunctatus* Schrank.

1. adult side (Greenland spec.)
2. adult face (Greenland spec.)

*Phytonomus quadricollis* Lec. (type M. C. Z.)

3. adult dorsal.
4. adult side.
5. adult face.

*Phytonomus eximius* Lec. (type M. C. Z.)

6. adult dorsal.
7. adult side.
8. adult face.

(Enlarged 10x).

## PLATE XXVIII.

*Phytonomus comptus* Say.

1. adult dorsal tessellated form.
  2. adult dorsal red form.
  3. adult side red form.
  4. adult face tessellated form.
  5. cocoon (Illinois).
  6. pupa (alcoholic specimen).
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- (Enlarged 10x).

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*Phytonomus trivittatus* Say.

1. adult dorsal (type of *setigerus* Lec. M. C. Z.).
2. adult face (type of *setigerus*).
3. adult side (type of *setigerus*).
4. adult dorsal (Aweme specimen).
5. adult side (Kansas specimen).

*Phytonomus serialus* Mann.

6. adult face.
7. adult dorsal.

*Phytonomus maritimus* Titus.

8. adult face.
9. adult dorsal.

*Phytonomus pubicollis* Lec. (type M. C. Z.).

10. adult, dorsal.
11. adult face.
12. adult side.

(All enlarged 10x).

## PLATE XXX.

*Phytomomus nigrirostris* Fab.

1. adult dorsal.
2. pupa (alcoholic).
3. cocoon.

*Phytomomus meles* Fab.

4. adult dorsal, gray form.
5. adult dorsal, striped form.
9. adult face, striped form.

*Phytomomus castor* Lec.

7. adult dorsal, type (M. C. Z.).
  8. adult side, type (M. C. Z.).
  6. adult face, Aweme specimen.
- (All enlarged 10x).

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*Phytomomus posticus* Gyll.

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  3. cocoon.
  4. pupa.
  - 5-6. large and small adults.
  7. adult, face.
  8. adult, ventral.
  9. cocoons (various forms, 2x).
- (All but fig. 9 enlarged 10x).

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*Phytomomus posticus* Gyll.

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3. leaf showing injury.
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(Figs. 1-7 adapted from Titus: Bul. 110, Utah Agr. Exp. Sta.)

## PLATE XXXIII.

*Phytomomus posticus*, Gyll.

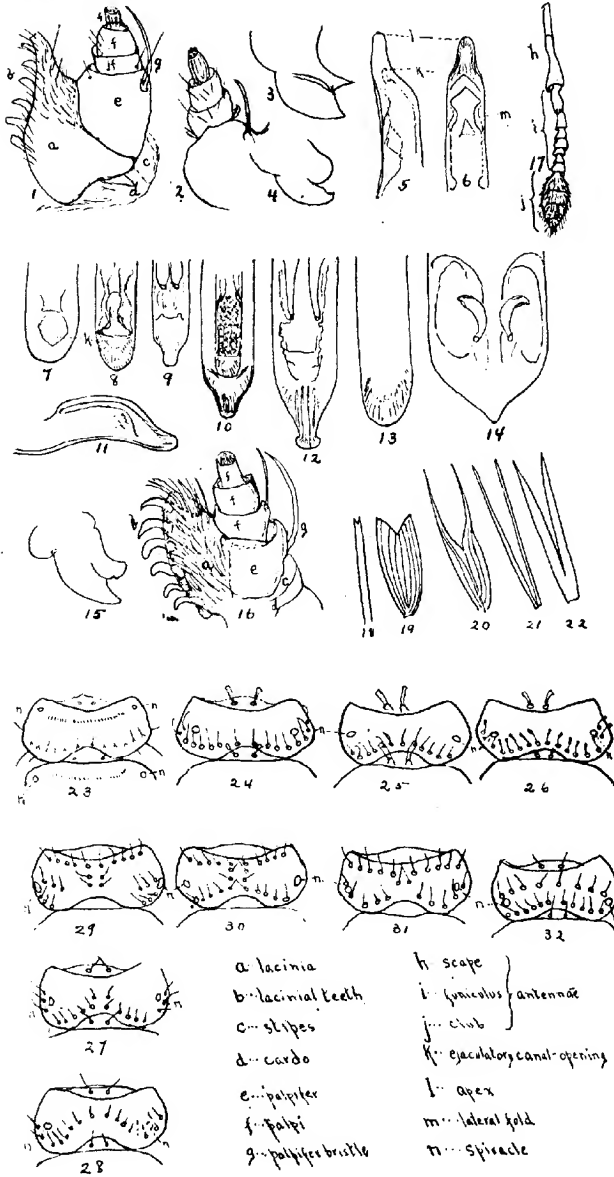
1. Barton gathering machine at work.
2. Hemenway gathering machine.
3. Weevil larvae captured from three acres by Barton machine.

(From Titus, Bul. 110, Utah Agr. Exp. Sta.)

## PLATE XXXIV.

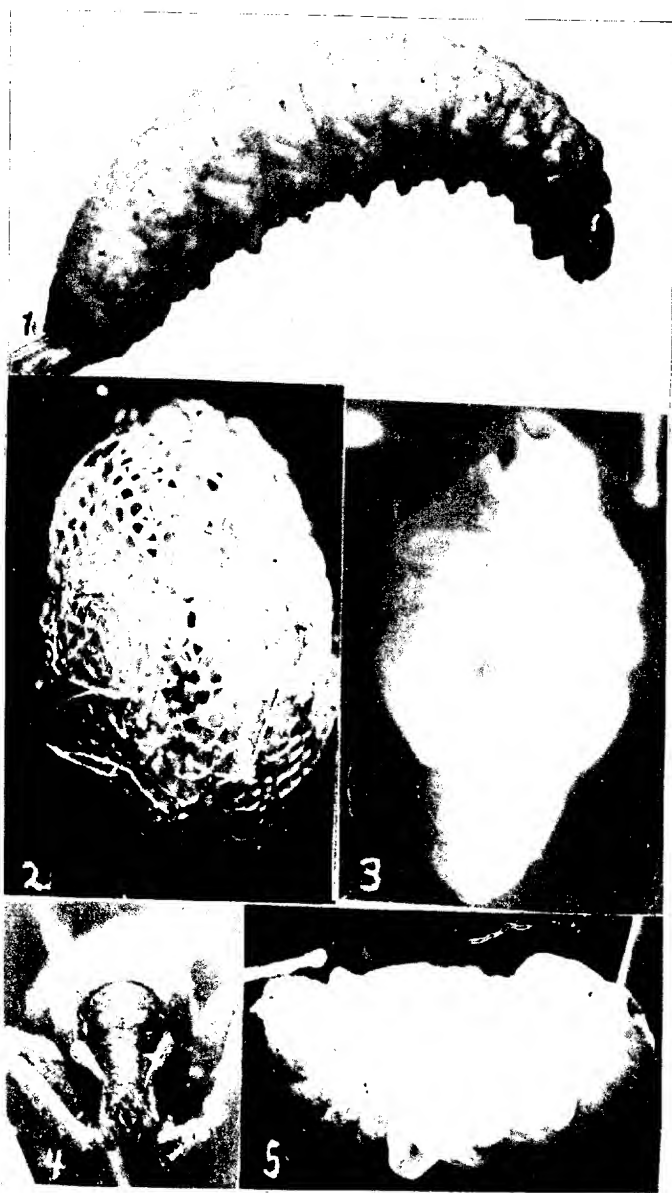
*Phytomomus posticus* Gyll.

1. Second crop alfalfa on ground harrowed and brush-dragged (Fox place).
2. Second crop alfalfa on untreated ground same date.
3. Typical hibernation quarters on border of field.



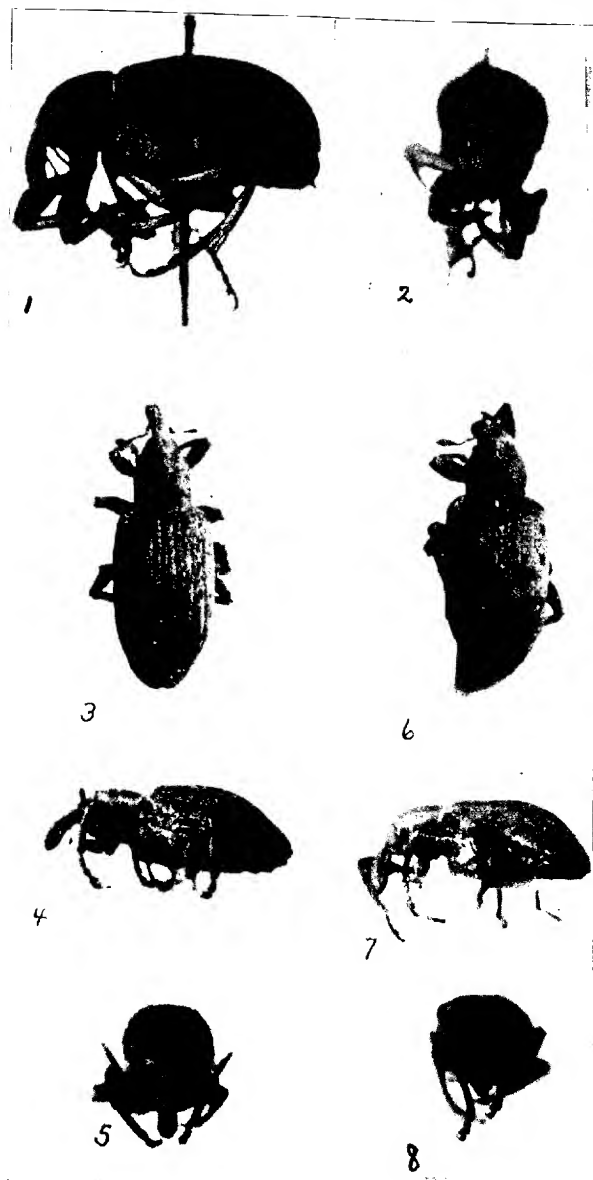






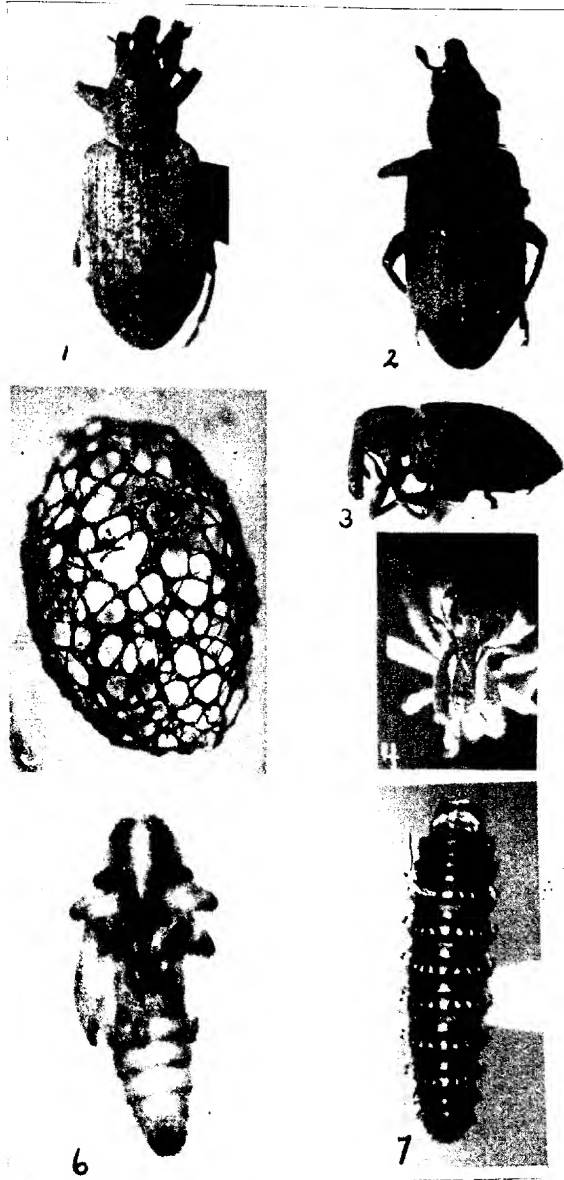
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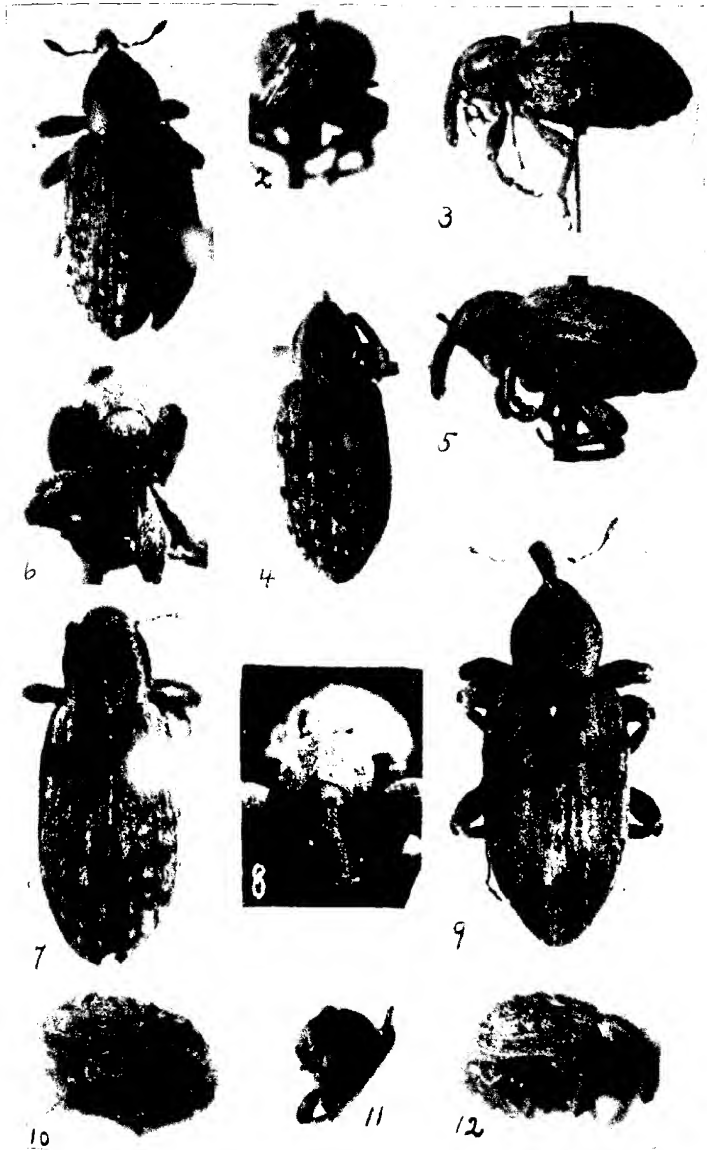




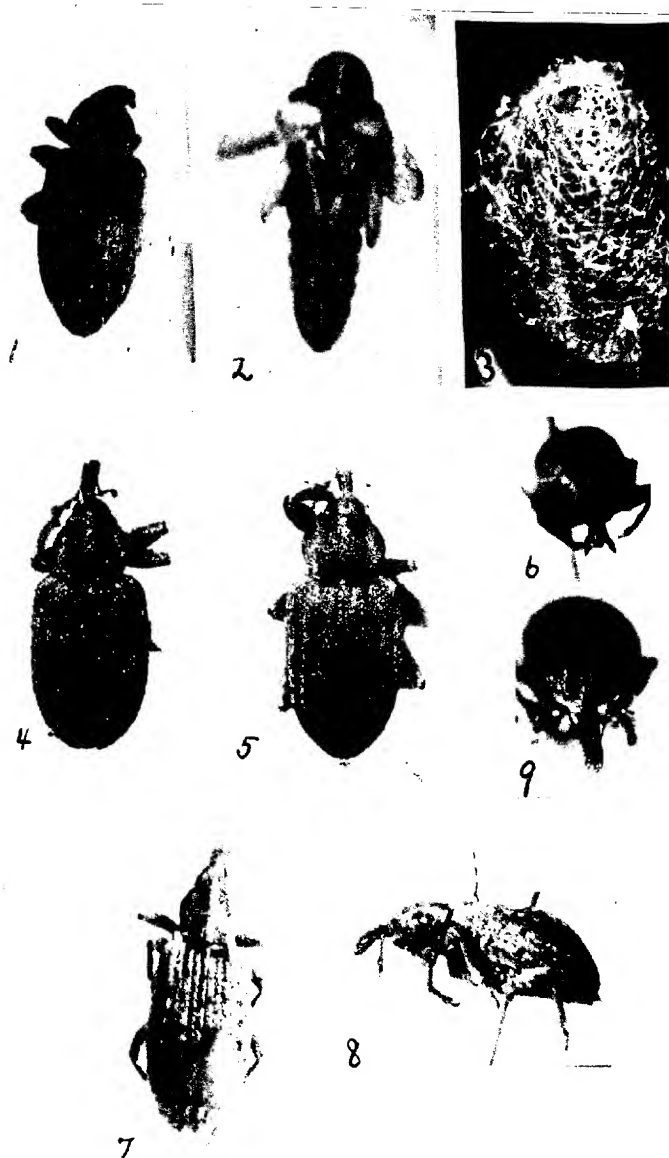




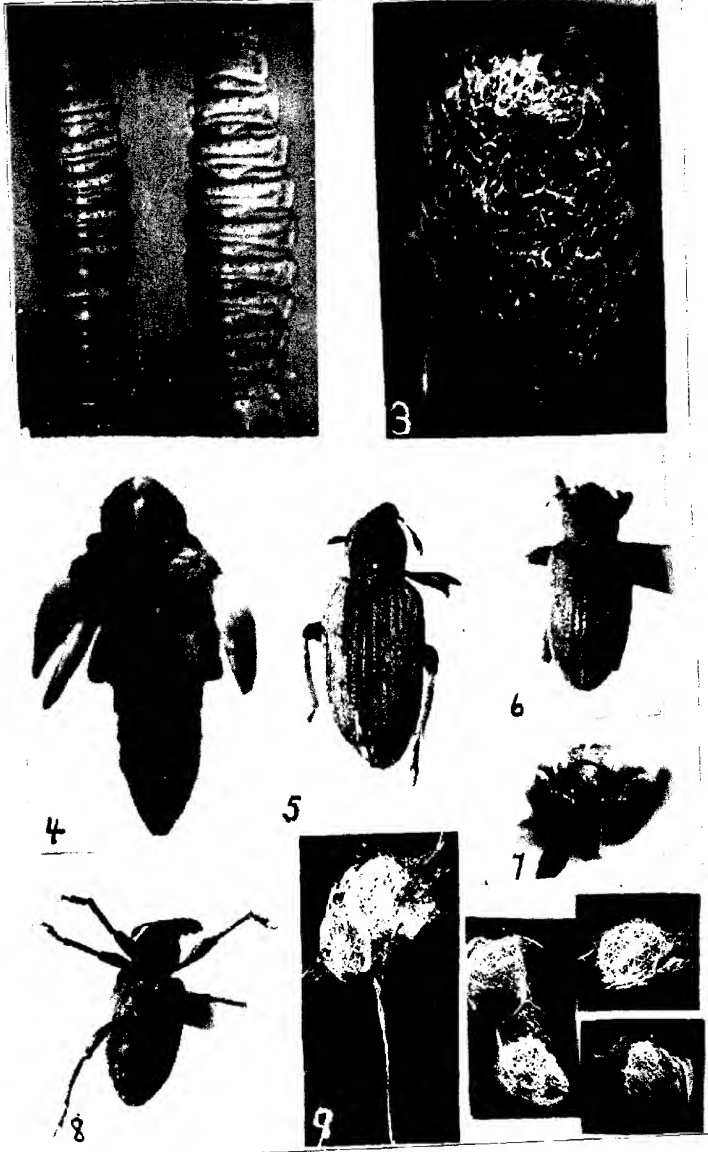










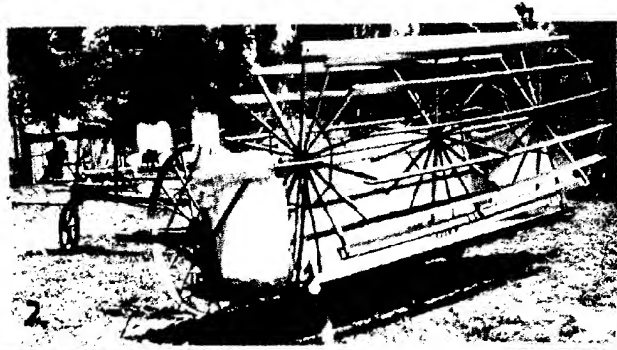
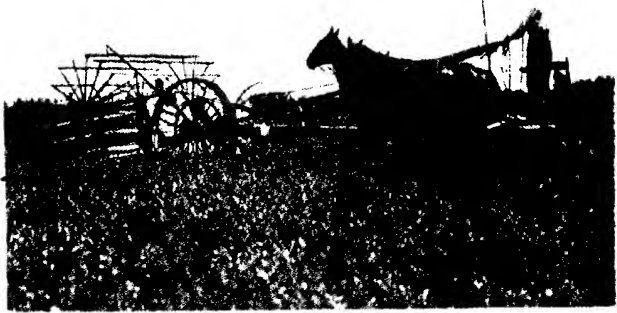


















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